

## Council Proceedings

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ling was laboring under a misapprehension. The matter had been brought up before a full meeting of the Industrial Committee of the Council and Board of Trade at which Ald. Schilling had been unable to be present. Beyond a discussion, no action was taken at that time. The speaker had afterwards suggested to the Mayor that since the members of both committees were in favor of the proposition, the residents interested should be invited to a conference in order that their objections might be heard and met, if possible. The Mayor and three members of the Council met the property-owners directly interested. Ald. Schilling was one of the members present. With this in view it must be admitted that the matter was being conducted in a fair and above board manner. The objections to the sale of the land were largely imaginary. Ald. Schilling had said that the proposition if carried out would benefit the property in the vicinity owned by his mother and himself. The chief objector took his stand on the ground that some day the People's Railway would construct a switch into this factory and that the land now to be purchased would be used for this purpose. All only four ratepayers were directly interested, and one of these was employed in the company's office. When it came down to the fine thing, the objections taken were not sound. If an agreement calling for a brick factory two stories high were carried out, the appearance of the street would be largely improved.

Ald. Pieper said that the company was willing to enter into an agreement such as that proposed by Ald. Schilling, and that the building would be constructed this Spring.

**Will Secure Agreement.**

The following motion was passed: Moved by C. Kranz, seconded by E. W. Clement that the proposition of the Walker Bin and Store Fixture Co., Limited, be accepted subject to a proper agreement being entered into between the town and the company as to the character of the buildings to be placed on the land in question.

Just before the motion was passed Mr. Schultz, one of the residents interested, asked permission to address the Council and stated that the proposed sale of the land would mean damages to his property in the neighborhood of \$600 to \$700.

### Auditors' Report.

The auditors submitted a report of the audit of the corporation books for the year 1910. The balance on hand on Jan. 1st was given as \$39,100.81. The statement will be printed in booklet form.

### Engineer's Report.

Engineer Johnston submitted the following interesting report:

Gentlemen:

I have the honor to submit to you my first annual report as Town Engineer, setting forth the various works carried out in the year 1910. During the past year the amount of money expended upon the local improvements exceeded that of any previous year. 4,069 miles of cement walks were constructed at a total cost of \$11,612.30. This included over one mile of walk on King street six feet wide, 1.05 miles of combined concrete curb and gutters were constructed at a cost of \$3,714.69. A little over three miles of roadways were constructed. The most important of this was the laying of a permanent pavement on King Street between Albert Street and Wellington Street, and the double tracking of the street railway from Albert Street to Water Street, and a single track from Water Street to Wellington Street. This pavement consists of 6,217 lineal feet of Bitulithic upon a concrete foundation with vitrified brick for the base. The cost of this work was \$10,662.69.

The permanent pavements on King street and Yonge street were constructed by contract. All other roadways were constructed by day labour.

### Storm Drains.

Foundry street, from King to Duke cost \$166.37.

Foundry street, West side, \$60.78.

Hall's Lane, Queen to Teste, \$191.41.

Total cost, \$718.56.

### Repairs and Street Cleaning.

Most of the roadways in Berlin are macadam and gravel. They require constant repairs and cleaning to be kept in good and sanitary shape. Both the beauty and health of the town demand that the streets be kept in good repair, and systematically cleaned. During the past three years about \$250,000 has been expended in the Spring each year and this has kept the roads in much better condition than previously. The Streets have been cleaned in the Spring and Fall, but very little at any other time. This year, I think the Board of Works should unite with the Horticultural Society, the Garbage Committee, and the Board of Health to improve the appearance of the town. The Board of Works alone of this could be done by employing a few good men to continually clean and repair the streets, and arrange with the Garbage Committee to have the garbage wagons haul away the refuse gathered together. The Town Foreman could supply them with stone to make small repairs to the roads as required.

The Tarvia Pavements such as put down on Courtland Avenue should be painted over with tar about every two years to keep them in good condition. This will greatly prolong the life of the pavement.

Many towns oil their streets to keep down the dust. It would be well to oil a few streets this year instead of sprinkling so that we can judge it for ourselves.

### Road Construction.

As macadam roadways require constant repairs and are very dusty it would be well for the Board of Works to encourage the construction of more permanent pavements. All the roadways constructed would be improved by the construction of combined concrete curb and gutters.

During the past three years, an effort has been made to improve the roads leading into town with good success. It is coming to be generally recognized that good roads are a great benefit to every town. With this in view, Queen street south and the Petersburg Road were improved, Frederick street was macadamized from Lydia street to the corporation limits, King street was macadamized from Cameron street to Cedar Grove Avenue, and Mill street was macadamized from Queen street to Schuetzen Park. The Government gave a grant of one third of the cost of most of these roads, and the other two-thirds was assessed against the abutting property. The roads remaining to be improved are Lancaster

ter street from the G. T. R. to the Corporation limits, King Street from Cedar Grove Avenue to the Corporation limits, and Mill Street from Schuetzen Park to the Town limits. As these outlying roads are abutted mostly by farm lands, I do not think it fair to apply the frontage system to their success depends upon being paid out of the General funds, as they are for the benefit of the Town at large.

### Cement Walks.

I would recommend that, in future, all cement walks as far as reasonable be made at least five feet wide.

### Supervision of Work.

As most of the roadways are constructed by day labour under the Town Engineer and Town Foreman, and as their success depends upon intelligent and constant oversight, I would recommend that the Town Foreman be empowered to employ sub-foremen for each work from time to time as required subject to the approval of the Town Engineer and Board of Works.

### Broken Stone.

During the winter season of the last three years, men out of other work have been employed in breaking stone. This stone is used for the foundation of macadam roadways, and the cost is charged to these streets. The system is working very satisfactory, and serves the object for which it was intended, to furnish work for the unemployed in winter.

### Petitions for Local Improvements.

I would like to suggest that petitions for new work be presented to the Council early in the year in order that plans and estimates may be prepared before construction work begins.

### New Streets.

In a growing town like this, it would be well to adopt the rule of not allowing any new streets to be opened less than sixty-six feet in width unless under special circumstances.

### Finance Committee.

The Finance Committee begs to report and recommend:

1. That \$10 be granted to The Canadian Free Library for the Blind, Toronto, for a grant.
  2. That no action be taken on a communication from the Salvation Army, requesting a grant.
  3. That \$10 be refunded to Messrs. Grauel & Kiener overpaid on License.
  4. That the action be taken on the recommendation of the Police Commission for additional men.
  5. That the question of providing funds for the buildings recommended by the Sewerage Commission on the Sewer Farm be submitted to the ratepayers at the same time as the question of the deviation of the Victoria St. Storm Drain.
  6. That the Assessors be paid \$1,100 for the year 1911 and that otherwise the recommendation of the Mayor and Assessment Commission herewith be adopted.
  7. That no action be taken on the request of Mr. Geo. O. Philip for a grant re his Hydro Electric Moving Pictures.
  8. That the tender of the Merchants Printing Co. of 70c. per page for the printing of the Auditor's Annual Statement, be accepted.
- The report was adopted.

### Scavenger and St. Cleaning Committee.

Your Street Cleaning and Scavenger Committee begs to recommend that the Chairman of this Committee and the Chairman of the Board of Works meet and arrange between them for the removing of refuse from King Street and other permanent roadways.

The report was adopted.

### Board of Works.

Your Board of Works begs to recommend that the offer of Mr. I. S. Weber, of a deed of gift of Hilda Place to the town, be accepted, the town to assume the undertaking of Mr. Weber to the owners of the several lots on that street with regard to sewer rates.

That this plan herewith prepared by the Town Engineer showing the proposed extension of Peter Street be approved.

The report was adopted.

### Garbage By-law.

A by-law providing for the extension of the garbage system was given two readings and referred to the Committee of the whole in order that it might be more fully discussed.

Reeve Rohleder pointed out that unless some provision was made in the by-law for the collecting of the garbage rate from exempted properties, these properties would either not get the system, or they would get it for nothing.

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with LOCAL APPLICATIONS, as they cannot reach the seat of the disease. Catarrh is a blood or constitutional disease, and in order to cure it you must take internal remedies. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, and acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces. Hall's Catarrh Cure is not a quick medicine. It was prescribed by one of the best physicians in this country for years and is a regular prescription. It is composed of the best tonic purifiers, acting directly on the mucous surfaces. The perfect combination of the two ingredients is what produces such wonderful results in curing Catarrh. Send for testimonials free.

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## Hockey Match

check on Gaul. Frood took a spasm of rushing. Waterloo was however not to be beaten. The game at this stage was in their favor. With the half of the period gone, MacGregor in one of the prettiest lone rushes he has ever pulled off, took the puck through the entire line and notched Berlin's first counter. Povey was resting on the fence. MacGregor and Dumart figured in a rush but Ezra missed a fine chance to tally. Just about here the locals pressed on top of the Waterloo goal, forcing the puck in upon the nets. Spectators in the vicinity of the nets declared it a goal but the play went on. Gaul took the puck down the ice, passed but there was nobody to meet it. Following some hard checking he emerges with the rubber from behind the nets and sends it past Jones for Berlin's second counter. The locals struck their gait and the play that followed was of the hair-raising and spectacular variety.

### Dispute Goal Umpire.

A rest of five minutes was given both teams during a dispute over the Waterloo's goal umpire. Spectators declared the locals had been robbed of a goal and the local management rightfully protested against this officials work. The Waterloo players put up the usual kick but the official was replaced with a "business man of Seagramville."

### McGregor's Work.

The wiry Scotchman's work at this point was a feature. He repeatedly pressed the Waterloo firing some vicious shots, but Chief Jones was there to block them. Gaul and G. McNamara were served with a penalty for coming together in a mild melee.

### Berlin Ties Score.

Frood and Dumart with three minutes before time go down the ice in the nearest combination work so far effected. Frood passed to Dumart; Dumart to Frood and the latter scored.

The wildest demonstration followed on the part of the fans. The season had been tied, 3-3. McNamara made another pretty rush but is again tripped by Povey, who is penalized for the second time.

Another dispute followed Waterloo's move to substitute Harold McNamara for Povey. It was vigorously protested and won by the local management after a few more minutes. With only a few more minutes to go, the two teams pressed hard to break the tie. When the half-time gong sounded it however, still stood 3-3.

### The Second Half.

The first fifteen minutes of play was all in the locals' favor. Stubbornly they pressed their opponents' nets. Dey and Gaul were penalized for some rough work. Ezra Dumart in six and a half minutes going broke the tie doing it all alone. He took the puck the length of the ice a few feet and he was attacked by forwards and defence men. He pressed right in on goal and tallied. The tall centre was given a big ovation. MacGregor and Dumart followed with a clever rush but G. McNamara chopped down Dumart as he was about to shoot. The locals had the visitors going. Fast and furious waged the game. The Seagrammians commenced slashing but referees Clark and Hern allowed them to get away with it.

The forwards rained in a volley of shots but Chief Jones stopped them at every angle. George McNamara and Smith rushed the rubber back to Berlin's goal and Lehman cleared what looked like a sure goal. This same McNamara was given a penalty for a vicious body-check on Anderson. Gaul and Dey who were resting on the fence resume play. Dumart shortly after gets a penalty for holding McNamara. Frood missed an easy one in front of the goal. Waterloo took a brace and bore down on Lehman, who made the stop. Hugh cleared successfully, shooting the rubber out to coverpoint. George McNamara secured the rubber and shot it back before the locals were aware of its whereabouts. The goal was a difficult one to stop as the Berlin players were bunched in front of the goal obstructing Lehman's view. This tied the score 4-4. Dumart goes on the ice again. Waterloo exerted every effort and the playing that ensued was decidedly in the black and yellow's favor. The McNamara brothers do some brilliant work. The puck is forced to Berlin territory and Anderson in an endeavor to get it away takes it in front of goal and falls. Dey was on the job and shoots it past Lehman for what proved to be the winning goal. The balance of the game was in Waterloo's favor.

The work of the two referees, Herb Clarke and Wally Hern for officials of their repute, was certainly not up to the mark. Waterloo was allowed to get away with off-sides and a little rough work. Both officials at spells seemed lost. Only once did their bells sound simultaneously. However, the locals' defeat is not accounted for from any such source.

### Puckering.

Lest you forget, the score was 5-4.

Again let it be known it was anybody's game up to the last five minutes.

Stock in the Berlin Professional Hockey Club, went down several points at the American House exchange last night.

Locals fans are now inclined to believe Albert Hergott's imports are all to the good.

A Waterloo fan mentioned "Stanley Cup," to referee Herb Clarke, after the game. Clarke said, "Yes, a snowball chance, you know what that means."

The winners used up eight men. Har-

old McNamara was substituted for Povey in the second half.

With the score 4-3 it looked very much like Berlin. Didn't it?

The Macs were conspicuous in last night's game.

"Pop" Philip and his minstrel band, enlivened things before the game.

It looked like an impossibility to miss the chance Frood had to score.

### Food and Health.

It is not those who have the most expensive foods who are always the best fed; but those who assimilate what they eat. A delicate child should try sipping milk between meals and bedtime, preferably warm or hot, drinking nothing at meal times, avoiding pastries and sweet things, and with outdoor air and exercise he will grow well and strong. It is no more injurious to go a little hungry than to overeat, but the ignorant often think that the more one eats the stronger they will be. Children should not be allowed to get or be unhappy for the mind has a great influence over the body.

## The Mendelssohn Choir

Gerick, it will be observed, was a former conductor of the Boston Symphony Orchestra. In this beautiful specimen of choral writing he has achieved many fascinating effects which he has happily set against a lovely orchestral background in which the strings produce some very alluring effects. The brilliancy of the choir's rendering of this welcome composition was every noticeable, the purity and grandeur of tone in the passage "Sunlight dances in the skies" being a revelation in choral singing. In Sir Arthur Sullivan's madrigal, "I Hear the Soft Note," and Bantock's "On Himalay," the choir covered themselves with glory, while in the Finale Fugue, from Liszt's 13th Psalm, they sang as never before, the dynamic effects in this number being wonderfully brought out.

### Male Choir Scores Success.

One must not overlook the fact that in the chorus for men's voices "Awake My Love" (Gerick) the male choir sang admirably, interpreting the number as a lover's morning song. The basses and tenors in this choir comprise an ideal male chorus from a musically artistic standpoint.

The manner of the choir's singing last night could not fail to satisfy the most closely attentive listener, while moreover, one wonders at the astonishing musical ability of its conductor, who, year after year keeps climbing up the ladder far beyond the reach of any other living choral director. The Mendelssohn Choir can be justly termed "a world-famous chorus."

### A Glorious Orchestral Program.

The purely orchestral part of the program, although consisting of but three works, was of a character that splendidly illustrated the superb qualities of the Chicago orchestra, which ever since the days of Theodore Thomas, its founder, has been gained at the expense of virility its transcendental technical efficiency, but for its aristocratic finish of tone and phrasing, and for that singleness of attack and dynamics which have made its fortissimos in the ensemble so stirring, so irresistible. In the finale, the distinction of performance, there had been only one orchestra in the United States to be compared with the Thomas organization, viz., the Boston Symphony Orchestra, and there are not wanting critics who say that the exquisite detail of the Boston Orchestra has been gained at the expense of virility. To proceed, the three works offered last night gave the Chicago Orchestra full scope for the exemplification of contrast—power and delicacy and detail.

The cheerful tranquility of Dvorak's overture "In the Nature," the tempestuous emotion of the first movement of the Beethoven C minor symphony, the lovely appealing song of the second movement, with its minute variation details, and finally the patriotic, colossal din of the Tschikowski "Overture Solenne," were all parts that proved the catholic capability of the orchestra as well as its versatile adaptability. One may pause for a moment to note that while the Beethoven C minor symphony is one hundred and three years old, it has not yet aged in public estimation, and that it is even popular with those persons who go to a concert to merely pass the time.

The third number the Tschikowski overture is a remarkable feat in dynamics, and with its antagonistic manipulation of Russian and French national airs and its final thunderous hymn, it might well drive an emotional subject of the Czar to patriotic frenzy. Frederick Stock, the gifted conductor of the orchestra, received a warm reception from the large audience. Toronto is indeed favor in bearing such a superb organization—Toronto Globe.

And John Redmond Was Accommodated by Magistrate Weir This Morning.

In Police Court this morning John Redmond, sixteen years out from Ireland, and claiming Toronto as his home, asked that he be sent to jail for the winter, as he was ill and unable to work to support himself. He requested that he be allowed out about the middle of April, and his sentence was made 80 days.

Two Hebrews charged with storing bones within the municipality, without the permission of the Board of Health, were fined five dollars and costs.

A young man, charged with loitering about in a suspicious manner, was honorably discharged, it being quite clearly proven that he was not the man wanted.

## The Windows at St. Peters

Upon paying a visit to the St. Peter's Lutheran Church, one is immediately impressed with the beauty and art exemplified in the twelve new stained windows, just recently installed. They are works of art, reflecting in no small degree, credit upon the makers, the Berlin Art Glass Co.

Exquisite in design and color, the windows greatly enhance the interior of the church. Twelve in number, it would be hard to discriminate, for in each one is embodied some special beauty. They depict the life of Christ, from His birth to the Ascension. The figures are true to the descriptions of the Testaments; the expressions realistic; and the designing combined with the color effects, make them unsurpassed for artistic beauty.

Each window contains 75 square feet of glass and in a number of them there are as many as a thousand pieces. The work in its entirety, is the product of the Cloisonne Glass Co., which only a few years ago commenced business in a small way in Berlin. The proprietors are the Messrs. J. Bullas and J. M. Bullas.

The success of so exquisite a production, has been the source of much-imerited praise for the makers.

Pastor Oberlander in speaking of the windows this morning, said: "Although I have travelled the greater part of this continent and Europe, I have never found their equal. Truly there are none better in Canada."

The pastor was profuse in his expressions of praise and satisfaction for the work accomplished right here in Berlin. "To them," speaking of the proprietors of the Art Glass Co., "is attached a good deal of significance as an advertising medium for the town."

Visitors who have seen the windows of large churches in other countries, unhesitatingly proclaim them second to none.

The members of the congregation can justly pride themselves upon these works of art.

The sketches of the respective memorials (for memorials they are) concerning to the right of the pulpit, are: The Birth of Christ; Presentation In The Temple; Christ In The Temple; Christ Blessing The Little Children; The Good Shepherd; Peace Be Still; Stilling The Waves; Lord, I Sink; Christ The Consoler; In The Garden of Gethsemane; The Crucifixion; The Resurrection; and The Ascension.

The Art Glass Co. is to be commended upon so great an achievement.

### And, According To Tradition, Balmey Spring Is Close At Hand.

This is the day on which, according to tradition, the bear emerges from his winter quarters to size up the weather prospects, and make his arrangements accordingly.

Traditions has it that if bruin sees his shadow he immediately hies himself back for another six weeks of retirement.

If, on the other hand, he perceives no shadows lying about, he takes this to mean that the backbone of the winter has been broken.

Certainly bruin cast no shadow today, and if the tradition be reliable the balmy days of spring, with the warm sunshine, and sloppy streets, are close at hand.

There is a chance, however, that bruin, like certain human individuals, will make himself believe that he sees a shadow, and go back for another nap anyway.

### LATER!

Since the above has been written, the sun has made its appearance and it would have been possible for bruin to discover his shadow had he been up and doing at that time.

The appearance of the sun just when it did, complicates matters to a considerable extent. The first rays from Old Sol lighted up the atmosphere at just 12.30. Consequently it would have been impossible for Mr. Bear to cast a shadow before that time.

The situation now is this: If the bear was up bright and early, he saw no shadow, and we are about to have spring.

He didn't get up until after dinner, he saw his shadow, and we are to have six weeks more winter.

It's evidently up to the bear.

### ELMIRA.

Mr. Charles Weichel, of Waterloo, and William Schmidt, of Berlin, spent Sunday here with their respective parents.

Many of our citizens, who have visited the Greenhouse belonging to Mr. Norman on Park St., have words of praise for the fine plants and flowers which Mr. Norman has displayed in his place. Many have bought plants and flowers at this place and were well pleased. We wish Mr. Norman success in his new undertaking.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Ruppel and J. H. Ruppel were business visitors to Berlin on Monday.

On Feb. 16th, 1911, Prof. W. Hunt, of the O.A.C., will deliver an Illustrated Lecture in the E. M. S. Hall, under the auspices of the Elmira Horticultural Society. A musical programme will be carried out in connection with the Lecture. Admission free.

The Hockey Match played here on Friday evening between Baden and our boys resulted 5-1 in favor of Baden. The ice was heavy and slushy and the attendance was fair. Our boys are up against a lot of hard luck, but we hope that the series of games played this season will help to bring our boys in better trim for next season. Cheer up boys, your turn will come some day.

Weather permitting, no doubt, the Fancy Dress Carnival to be held on Feb. 23rd, will be a success. This will be the 4th Annual Carnival held by the Skating Rink Company. Remember the date.

Reeve Philip Christman was a busy man last week receiving congratulations from the citizens as to the honorable position to which he was made Warden of the County. Our citizens here should feel proud that this year we are honored by having the Warden-ship come to Elmira.

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The time has again come when the many different firms are sending out the seed and nursery catalogues, and when all those interested in Floriculture and Horticulture, also fruit-raising, are selecting their plants and seeds for such a time; many are the spots in our gardens and lawns where improvements can be made, also changes in varieties. This can also be applied to Public Streets and Schools. Many a citizen would say, I never harm my neighbor, and at the same time weeds are allowed to grow into seed. This seed blows into your yard, which causes much trouble and work as well as worry, for some weeds you can hardly get rid of. Therefore we should choose and select only the best seeds and varieties of plants, for a few well-selected and taken care of will give better results than too many and then not properly looked after.

Let us therefore work together in harmony and make these our homes and streets and places pleasing to the eye, for, in regard to Horticulture, we here in our country, are away behind the older countries. The prettiest gardens in the world can be seen in old lands. In reading up matters and experiments re such work at our Government Farms at Ottawa and Guelph one can get information regarding such work for the best men are employed at these farms and colleges, who do nothing else but make this work their study. Therefore, if we read the reports which are published by the Government in its many different ways through reports, in magazines and newspapers much can be learned and are often very helpful in our work. The most of our winter is gone and it won't be many weeks but what our dear springtime will be here to greet us.

FIGURES FROM THE CUSTOMS HOUSE FOR THE MONTH ARE VERY SATISFACTORY.

With the close of the first month of the year the local customs office has a substantial increase over the corresponding month of last year to report. The increase which is nearly fifty per cent, is an indication of prosperity the town is enjoying. January is not held as a heavy month and much larger returns are expected for the spring.

The comparative figures are:

Jan. 1911—\$4,316.97.

Jan. 1910—16,181.07.

Increase—7,835.90.

THERE WERE FOUR MORE IN JANUARY 1911, THAN IN THE SAME MONTH IN 1910.

Following are the figures of the vital statistics as registered at the town hall during the initial month of the year as compared with the figures of Jan. 1910.

Jan. 1911.

Births ..... 39

Marriages ..... 10

Deaths ..... 22

Jan. 1910.

Births ..... 28

Marriages ..... 6

Deaths ..... 18