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City Finally Committed to Overhead Bridge on Ferrie St.

Purchase of a Rotary Crusher Approved by Council—Bell Telephone Company Gets Permission to Erect Poles—Bull Property Will be Used for Quary—Aldermen Would Not Commit Council to the Augusta Street Route for Hamilton and Caledonia Road—Large Number of By-laws Passed.

For the first time in many months every member of the City Council was present at last night's regular meeting. Ald. Basquill, who has had a severe illness, being able to attend and receive the congratulations of all on his improvement. It was a long and busy session, but a number of important matters that have been in an unsettled state for a long time—some of them—were disposed of, and a lot of routine work was done as well. There was an unusually long discussion on the purchase of a stone crusher, but the Board of Works' report was sustained. Another important feature was the awakening of the Council to some sense in regard to telephone matters, the Bell Company being granted permission to erect poles on certain streets, and the Finance Chairman promising to open negotiations with that company again. The Augusta and O'Reilly street people gained an advantage, temporary at least, in having the names of those streets struck out of the clause recommending the introduction of a by-law to authorize the construction of the Hamilton and Caledonia Electric Railroad. Finally Ald. Kerr easily carried the day in regard to the north end bridges.

Deering Car Service. Eleven petitions from employees of the International Harvester Company, the Hamilton Steel and Iron Company and others, containing several hundred signatures, were handed in, asking that the Council take steps to secure for them concessions as to fares, etc., from the Hamilton Street Railway and Radial Railway Companies. The subject of Mr. Geo. Bonch's resignation as a member of the Hospital Board was referred to the Finance Committee, and the other communications were referred to their respective committees.

Purchase of Quarry Property. Chairman Stewart, of the Board of Works, asked leave to withdraw clause No. 10, of the report, as follows: That Richard McKay be offered the sum of \$1,300 for the property known as the "Webb" property, to be paid on the 1st of January next, and the balance in two equal yearly payments of \$500 each, without interest. He stated that \$250 to be made on the 1st of January, 1907, and that Geo. F. Webb be offered the sum of \$1,400 and the old mill on the "Webb" property on the mountain, west of Wellington street, the property to be paid for in two equal instalments of \$700 each, the first payment to be made on the 1st of January, 1907.

As the reason for this, Ald. Stewart explained that he had been certain that there is less land in the Webb and more in the Webb property than had been supposed. The Council consented to the withdrawal.

Will Buy Rotary Crusher. Ald. Birrell moved that the clause recommending the purchase of a No. 3 Austin Gyrotator rock crusher, No. 3, at \$1,250, be struck out, and that the crusher of the Good Roads Machinery Company be purchased. Ald. Sweeney seconded the motion.

In support thereof, Ald. Birrell said he believed the Hamilton-made crusher the better. It was used by Thomas Barnes, M. A. Figgott and other large contractors, and gave perfect satisfaction. He stated that the Hamilton-made machine was cheaper and better. Ald. Burkholder asked how the prices compared. Ald. Birrell replied that if the manufacturer of the Austin machine had put in a tender for a machine of as great capacity it would have cost well as \$1,800, the Sawyer-Massey Co.'s price \$1,550 and the Chicago company's price was \$1,385, set up to see how the two machines work he had sent the Secretary of the Board to Toronto that day and that official had seen the Austin or Chicago rotary machine, and the Champion, or Good Roads jaw crusher, made in Hamilton, working side by side. The man in charge told him that the rotary crusher was the most and the best work and was the one Toronto would buy if it were buying again. Moreover, City Engineer Barrow reported in favor of the rotary machine.

Mr. Barrow was asked for his opinion, and said he preferred the rotary. The contractors mentioned by Ald. Birrell, he thought, might get satisfaction out of the jaw crusher, but for road work he believed the rotary would be the best. From the arguments adduced, Ald. Whyte could not make up his mind which was the best, but as the Good Roads Company had, since putting in its tender, offered to allow \$500 for the old crusher, he favored giving the contract to the home concern.

Ald. Allen argued the same way. Ald. Findlay stated that the offer for the rotary crusher was the only one that complied with the requirements. The subsequent offer of Mr. Challen to give \$500 for the old crusher was a subterfuge. Ald. Kerr thought that the Council should be able to manufac-

ture at about as close a price as those of the United States. If they could not they would be driven out of the country. Still, if the price was any way close he would favor the home product. Mr. Challen's firm was the only one which had complied with the requirements, giving a price for setting up and repairs. Then, if account was taken of the offer of Mr. Challen to give \$500 for the old crusher, the Hamilton-made machine would be the cheaper. He thought the Council could show its patriotism by purchasing a Hamilton-made machine.

Ald. Wallace and Matts were satisfied to be guided by the Board of Works, which had carefully looked into the matter, and the City Engineer.

Ald. Burkholder pointed out that the city, if it bought the rotary machine, would still have the present crusher, which could be sold at a good figure, no doubt. The offer for the rotary machine was so much better than any other that he could not see how the Council could buy any other.

Ald. Stewart informed the Council that there was not a line in writing to show that Mr. Challen would give 50 cents for the old crusher. He had made no offer at all, but had simply said, in conversation, that he would allow \$100 or \$200 for it. Moreover, if the Council turned the Board down, it would be equal to saying that the Council did not want money, but that the home-made article must be purchased, no matter what the cost.

Ald. Birrell amended his motion to provide that the Good Roads Machinery Company must allow \$500 for the old machine. The Wallace-Sweeney amendment was lost by 2 to 13, the eight being Ald. O'Reilly, Sweeney, Birrell, Kerr, Whyte, Allen, Fearnside and Kingdon.

Ald. Fearnside and Allen then moved that the clause be referred back to the committee. This motion was defeated by the same vote, the eight being Ald. O'Reilly, Sweeney, Birrell, Kerr, Whyte, Allen, Fearnside and Kingdon.

The original clause was adopted. Placing Telephone Lines. Clause No. 2 of the report recommended that the Bell Telephone Company be permitted to erect certain string wires on certain streets. Ald. Birrell asked that this clause be referred back to the Board as it was a matter of conference with the Bell Company as to terms.

Chairman Stewart agreed to allow the clause to go back provided the company was given an extension to move its Ferguson avenue and Robert street poles so as to allow the Grand Trunk Railway to take the city poles out of the street. Ald. Wallace hoped the clause extended the portion mentioned by Ald. Stewart should go back with instructions to the committee to try, if possible, to get the company to pay a pole tax. The city had, last year, lost a revenue of \$2,000 a year although it was willing to pay even a great deal more. A clause had been held out that a new company might come in.

Ald. Fearnside pointed out that a number of people are suffering because they cannot get telephone service. Ald. Findlay thought it high time that the Finance Committee should take up the matter at once. More than year had already been lost. He thought the clause should pass. Ald. Birrell announced that the Finance Committee was prepared to take it up.

Ald. Kerr asked if the Chairman of Finance had broken off all connections with Oscar Wentworth. (Laughter.) His own position was that the Council should make an arrangement for a short term of years with the Bell Telephone Company. An arrangement had been advanced a certain stage last year, but was knocked out for Oscar Wentworth, ably aided by the Chairman of Finance. He thought the Council was cutting off its nose to spite its face. It could not afford to grant the Bell Company's request, oblige the citizens who need telephones, and then enter into negotiations with the Bell Company to make the best terms possible.

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commend the construction of bridges at this crossing. Ald. Birrell asked the Chairman, Ald. Kerr, to make an addition limiting the expenditure for which the city may be responsible, to \$8,000 for the cost to be decided by the Council.

Ald. Birrell replied that no such motion had passed the committee. Ald. Baird replied that such a motion certainly had passed the committee. He moved, seconded by Ald. Basquill, that the Chief be given four days' leave and \$60 for expenses.

Ald. Birrell announced that he had given the Chief three days' leave. He asked the Mayor to rule the motion out of order. Mayor Morden did so, but told Ald. Baird he could bring the subject up as now business.

It was brought up at 11:30, and voted down by 11 to 5. Will Investigate. Ald. Kerr asked the Chairman of Finance if it was true, as reported, that city ward foremen or other employees had drawn pay by the by-law voting day as returning officers while drawing their pay as civic officers.

Ald. Birrell was not able to say, but promised an investigation. Ald. Findlay added that it had been said that city clerks had been paid for where none were employed.

Hamilton Caledonia Road. The Finance Committee's recommendation was in regard to the route for the Hamilton and Caledonia road. Ald. Stewart moved that the application of the Hamilton and Caledonia Railway Company for permission to construct their railway along Augusta and O'Reilly streets from James street to Ferguson avenue, be referred to the Finance Committee, and that a by-law be prepared defining the terms and conditions upon which the railway may be operated within the city limits.

Ald. Kingdon moved that this clause be referred back, and that the railway company be required to provide each member of the Council with a plan of the proposed road. Ald. Birrell thought every alderman had had full opportunity to become familiar with the plans.

Ald. Nicholson agreed with Ald. Kingdon. Ald. Allen thought the Council should consider the by-law and the route at the same time, and should not get into a dispute about the route until the by-law was passed. Ald. Sweeney asked if there was not a vacancy in the tax office, and why a by-law had not been introduced to fill it.

Ald. Birrell admitted that an explanation was necessary. He had not had opportunity to look into the recommendations made by the Council. Ald. Findlay—of the executive. (Laughter.)

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THIRD ANNIVERSARY. Enjoyable Time at Erskine Church Last Evening.

The third anniversary social and entertainment in connection with the induction of Rev. R. Martin into the pastorate of the Erskine Presbyterian Church was held last evening. There was a large attendance. Refreshments were served in the commodious school room from 7:15 to 8:30, after which an excellent programme of addresses, recitations, music, etc., was rendered in the church. J. B. Graham presided, and after a few well chosen words of an introductory and congratulatory character, presented the following program:

Big Crowd at Sherman's. George H. Summers scored the biggest kind of a hit at Sherman's Park last night and earned all the good words that the press agent has been saying about him. Never before has a single performer made the hit that Mr. Summers did. The play was "The Prodigal Son or the Black Flag," and Mr. Summers personally attended to the staging of the piece and was amply rewarded. Mr. Summers played the part of Lazarus, the Jew money lender, and every time he opened his mouth it was the signal for a laugh. In fact it was one continual round of applause and laughter, and is sure to draw the biggest crowds ever seen at Sherman's Park. Mr. Summers was fully supported by his wife, Mrs. Belle Stevenson as Naomi. The balance of the cast was as follows: Harry Glynndon, of the coast guard; Louis Appel; John Glynndon, his brother; F. J. McFarland; Owen Glynndon, his father; Wm. A. Mortarily; Harry Scrum; a post, Charles Schud; Capt. Handysides, William A. Bothe; Inspector Ward; A. Wright; Quarry Guide, Harry C. Todd; Warden Walsh; Theo. Babcock; Ned, a waif, Grace Whitaker; Tobias; Carroll, Emma Boulton; Ruth Glynndon, Anna Pohorly-Specialties were introduced between the acts. A matinee will be given to-morrow afternoon at 2:45.

Dan, Godfrey Dead. London, June 30.—Dan Godfrey, the famous handkerchief maker, died this morning of paralysis. A good many people worship their own religious opinions instead of God.

Jim Dumps' grandchild, sly little elf, Cried, "Grandpa, on the lowest shelf Please put the food I like the best, So I can reach it with the rest. I just love 'Force,'" she said to him. "Force" you shall have," said "Sunny Jim."

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