

HAWKINS HITS 'EM.

The Alleged Interview of a Correspondent's Burlesque.

The Port Albert Man "Slings" the North-west Correspondents - A Sockdologger for Tom Gilroy.

Goderich, July 2d, 1887.

To the Editor of The Huron Signal.

My attention has been directed to two effusions from Winnipeg, that appeared in your last issue, and in which my name has received conspicuous mention.

I have been induced by them to revert to the remarkable interview, that has excited the ire of these Western correspondents, and as I note its peculiar details, its improbable situations, its supernatural ideas, and its glaring inconsistencies, I am completely astonished, that two gentlemen of the law should be so easily deceived, as to put any faith in the genuineness of the article, as they evidently do.

The whole affair was a burlesque, pure and simple, and the facts that my first intimation of the interview was its appearance in THE SIGNAL, and that I had but a very brief conversation with the correspondent, in company with others, and in which no such expressions or sentiments as I am credited with were uttered, is sufficient proof of this.

I have numbers of friends in Winnipeg and the prairie provinces, for whom I have too high an estimation, to wilfully misrepresent to its disadvantage the country in which their lots are cast.

When I think it necessary to give to the public my opinion of the "North-west," I shall do so in a less sensational but more rational style, without resorting to middle-men, and over the signature appended below.

I would have contradicted the report of the pretended interview ere this, had I thought there were any endowed with sufficient gullibility to suppose it genuine, and even now, with the letters of the "Mad Winnipeggers" before me, I cannot but think that they were produced, not because of any belief in the genuineness of the article, but because the random shots of the pseudo-reporter found some vulnerable spots.

So much for the interview. I have a few words to say regarding the tone of the Winnipeg communications. I have learned that Mr. Seager, at least prior to his departure for the West, was considered a gentleman. His western education has apparently done its work, and done it well, as evinced by his choice English and choicer epithets.

The readiness and ease with which "unmitigated lies" flow from his remarkable pen is equalled only, I should judge, by the readiness with which the "cheap and potent intoxicants," he so naturally enlarges on in the next breath, would flow down his equally remarkable throat.

Had I the advantages of a protracted western experience and a frontier vocabulary, I would say that the "Old Goderich Boy" is a contemptible whelp, whose thickness of skull has led him into making, over the signature of a respectable class, statements he dare not over his own; and that Mr. Seager is either a notorious blockhead, whose conceivably outcrites are taxed to their utmost in informing their possessor when he is humbugging, or that he should go into the house when it rains, or a mixture of the modern crack and dude, whose chief aim is publicity and notoriety, at whatever cost.

But I must refrain, my knowledge of Billingsgate being unequal to the occasion. I will say nothing here concerning space will not permit, and my impressions of these places are my own. However, as far as Huron and its people are concerned, I entirely agree with the Winnipeg writers, and am proud to know, that amongst the number from Ontario who have succeeded in the West, the Huronites have occupied an ample share of the leading places.

And by the way, Mr. Editor, I had almost forgotten to refer to a Mr. Gilroy, who has lodged his complaint with the Star. I made inquiries concerning this gentleman, and met with but a small measure of success. The parties equally divided in their opinions, as to whether he was the inventor of Gilroy's kite, a land shark, or a noted insurance agent, and from the variety of these ideas, I came to the conclusion, that he was "really and truly nobody at all," and as nobodies were not my game, I concluded to give him a severe letting alone, hoping he will see this copy of THE SIGNAL, and relieve his wounded feelings by a perusal of the facts herein stated.

Thanking you, sir, for the space allotted to this, and hoping that your paper will be issued as usual, notwithstanding the elimination of part of its title in the mind of the "Old Goderich Boy."

I remain, Yours truly, THOS. R. HAWKINS.

OUR TOWN FATHERS.

What Was Done at the Last Meeting.

June 19, 1887.

The regular meeting of the town council was held this evening.

All the members of the council were present, the mayor in the chair.

The minutes of last meeting were read, approved and signed.

THE TREASURER'S REPORT

Receipts.....\$211.38

Expenditures.....\$20.70

Balance on hand.....\$230.70

Referred to finance committee.

THE SECTOR'S REPORT.

showed 6 interments in Maitland cemetery since last report—5 adults and 1 infant—and 1 removal; also a statement of cash received for work done for parties, and amount paid for expenses, leaving a balance of \$21.50, which was duly handed to the treasurer. Filed.

THE STREET INSPECTOR'S REPORT

showed \$212.37 expended on public works since last report, and recommended that a street lamp be placed at the post office—carried.

COMMUNICATIONS.

The following communications were read:

From secretary of school board, as follows:—

GENTLEMEN,—I am instructed by the board of school trustees to inform you that they will require the sum of \$4,700 for school purposes, and request you to

place that amount to the credit of the board.

W. MITCHELL, sec'y.

From H. Macdormott complaining of damage from drain on Waterloo street. Referred to public works committee.

From night watchman Yule, for a policeman's uniform.

Moved by Johnston, seconded by Seager, that the petition be granted, the chairman of the supply committee to see to the obtaining of the uniform—Carried.

ACCOUNTS.

A number of accounts were read and referred to finance committee.

THE FIRE BRIGADE.

To the Mayor and Council of the town of Goderich.

HONORABLE SIRS,—At a meeting of the fire company, on the 11th of June, it was resolved that the company be disbanded on and after the 1st of July next, and that your honorable body be requested to grant to the members of the company one-half of the usual annual grant for the last six months, and also that you will purchase from the members the following furniture at these prices: one chandelier \$9, several pictures \$1 each, and carpet 75c. per yard.

CHAS. ROSS, sec'y fire co'y.

FINANCE COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

We recommend the payment of the following accounts:—E. C. Belcher, \$8.15; Nicholas Morriah, \$50.75; G. N. Davis \$17.55. We would also call the attention of the supply committee to the advisability of purchasing lamp glasses by the dozen and oil by the quantity.

J. C. DETLOR, chairman.

Moved by Dettlor, seconded by Mitchell, that the report be adopted—Carried.

CEMETERY COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

We beg leave to report that we have sold to Joseph McEwen the grass upon the Maitland cemetery for the sum of \$10, he to cut all grass in fence corners, over graves, &c., all to be done under the superintendence of Mr. S. L. SLOAN, chairman.

On motion the report was adopted.

HARBOR COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

We had before us the rules and regulations for the government of the wharf and commercial docks, made under order of the Governor-General in Council, also the several Acts of Parliament relating to the appointment of harbor masters and their duties.

We find that since the harbor tolls have been abolished but few rules remain in force. The Governor-in-Council, however, has power to make, rescind, modify, or alter rules and regulations for the use and management of harbors.

We would recommend that the Minister of Marine and Fisheries be requested to make further rules and regulations respecting Goderich Harbor. We think no change is required in rules Nos. 1, 2, 6, 8 and 12. The words "wharfings" in Nos. 9 and 10 should be changed to "harbor master."

There should also be rules made giving the control of vessels and the placing of them at the docks to the harbor master.

Also compelling the users of the docks to have the docks cleaned up and removing of any debris after the unloading of a vessel, and the repairing of any damage done; and the harbor master to have full power to enforce the rules and regulations made.

According to request of Council we are having four notices painted on boards, stating that no tolls are now payable at Goderich harbor on merchandise.

ABRAHAM SMITH, Chairman.

The report was adopted.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

The Public Works Committee begs to report that they recommend the following improvements and repairs be made during the current year:

Harbor hill—Gravelling and cleaning out water table, probable cost \$25.

Picton street—Grading on west end, 10 rods, \$4.

Eldon street—Sidewalk, west end, \$2; gravelling, \$25.00; drain to South street, via Bennett street, continuation to R. Symmond's property and to Bayfield road, to the natural outlet down the Bayfield Road, \$175.

Bayfield road—Gravelling, including some on Bennett street, \$30.

Britannia Road—A small drain across near high school, \$5.

Huron Road—Drain across near R. McLean's, \$7.

Walnut Street—Opening water table from John Elliott's to Walnut street, \$3.

Huron Road—Gravelling, &c., and sidewalk, \$20.

Maitland Road—Carrying off salt water, \$10; grading opposite Chrystal & Black's machine shop, \$10; tank near G. T. R. machine shop, \$125.

St. David Street—Drain \$15.

East Street—Gravelling centre of road, \$15.

Bruce Street—Gravelling centre of road, \$10.

Victoria Street—Gravelling northerly from Proudfoot's store, \$25.

Cambria Road—Repairing boundary to bridge, \$10.

Napier Street—Grading and repairing, \$5.

Platt's Hill—Repairs, \$5.

Quebec Street—Drain, \$45.

West Street—Improvements, \$50.

St. Andrew's Ward—Tank to finish commenced last year, \$50.

St. Patrick's Ward—Renewing sidewalk in front of Mr. Proudfoot's store, costing \$20—Mr. Proudfoot paying one-half, \$10—town share.

North Street—A short piece of sand box drain, \$6.

We would recommend also that the sum of \$100 be granted for improving the square and \$25 for improving the Park, and that James Elliott be allowed to tap the spring on Huron Road near his property. According to instructions from the council we have had two lamps put up at the harbor, and one at the foot of the sidewalk near the Ocean House; also have had the Commercial Docks cleaned up.

E. BINGHAM, Chairman.

FIRE COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

Having heard that the fire company had determined upon disbanding upon the first of July your committee met at once and requested Mr. John Yuill to solicit members to form a new company, under the fire by-law of the council. The company has been formed, officers elected, and requested recognition from the council. Annexed hereto find names of officers and members of the company.

JOHN BUTLER, chairman.

The following are the names of the new company: E. Graham, Cap.; Thos. McKenzie, 1st Lieut.; J. W. Smith, 2nd Lieut.; Charles Bates, Treas.; Herbert Hilliard, Sec'y; John Yuill, W. L. McNair, Geo. Smith, James Bailey, E. C. Belcher, Thos. Graham, members.

Moved by Murray, seconded by Johnston, that the report of the fire committee be adopted.

Moved in amendment by Sloane, seconded by Jordan, that the report of the fire committee lay over until next meeting of council.

On the amendment there voted, Yeas—Smith, Dettlor, Scobie, Seager, Sloane, Nicholson, Jordan—7. Nays—Johnston, Murney, Colborne, Elliott, Bingham, Cantelon, Mitchell, Butler—8. Lost by one of a majority.

On the motion there voted, Yeas—Johnston, Dettlor, Murney, Elliott, Bingham, Cantelon, Mitchell, Butler—8. Nays—Smith, Colborne, Scobie, Seager, Sloane, Nicholson, Jordan—7. Motion carried by a majority of 1.

On motion the clerk was instructed not to give any further orders for relief to Mrs. Ames, but to obtain a ticket for her to carry her to Saint Ste Marie by one of the Beatty boats.

By-law No. 6, of 1883, for the licensing and regulating of owners of livery stables, and of horses, cabs, carriages, and other vehicles for hire, and for establishing the rates of fares to be taken by the owners or drivers, and for enforcing payment thereof, was read, together with communication from J. T. Garrow, Esq., respecting same, when, on motion it was referred to committee.

Moved by Dettlor seconded by Jordan that the board of public works be instructed to ascertain the probable cost of laying sufficient piping from the water tank to a point on the east side of the Square, for the purpose of a fountain; also cost of a basin 6 or 8 feet in diameter, properly cemented, and to report as soon as possible to the council.

On motion council adjourned.

MARRIED.

In Goderich, on the 28th June, at the residence of the bride's father, by the Rev. Dr. Ure, Mr. Isaac E. Knight, to Annie Elizabeth, eldest daughter of Mr. David Reid.

DECEASED.

At Goderich, on 3rd July, of inflammation of the lungs, in her fifty-third year, Susan F. Barber, of Montreal, and beloved wife of George Rice, Goderich.

In Colborne, on Monday, June 25th, 1887, A. M. Campion, aged 25 years and 11 months.

In Duncannon, on Saturday, June 23rd, 1887, Mrs. John C. Martin, aged 83 years.

In Warkenton, on the evening of the 28th, 1887, George S. Gould, M. D., son of George Gould, Esq., aged 21 years, 3 months.

In Goderich, on Wednesday, July 4th, 1887, Ada, only daughter of John McVicar, aged 9 years, 1 month and 13 days.

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