

HAMILTON HAPPENINGS

MAYOR SAYS ALDERMAN WAS SHOOTING HOT AIR

Lively Altercation in Hamilton Council Over Repairs to Roadway.

HAMILTON, Aug. 8.—(Special)—Mayor McLaren is finding a tough opponent in Ald. Morris, and at the council meeting this evening the hostilities of the two proved to be the most interesting contribution to the debate. At an interesting council meeting, the imperturbability of the alderman enabled him to gain a signal victory over the mayor. The trouble was started when the alderman interrupted the reading of a by-law to ask Controller Allan whether anything had been done to fix up what he called the "Rock" Mountain-road. The mayor objected to the interruption, and accused the alderman of "shooting off hot air" at every council meeting. He said that if he was guilty of such a habit he must have learned it from the mayor. The mayor then asked the alderman to keep himself posted upon such matters, instead of wasting the time of the council. However, he replied to the question about the mountain-road. Controller Allan said that the matter would have to come up before the works committee.

Ald. Morris rose again a little later and under a stout stick on behalf of Miss Jeannette Lewis, who had asked permission to erect a booth on the corner of the street outside the city hall, he said that the works committee had refused to grant it. This was done, he said, because the committee was afraid that Miss Lewis was invited to build a booth at the corner of the street and in a less crowded part. The recommendation of the works committee, that A. M. Lewis be allowed to open up a street 50 feet wide of the building sewer, was referred back.

The council agreed to pay the expenses of Dr. Roberts, medical health officer of the public health convention at Milwaukee.

Adrian Zimmerman, ex-M.P., wrote to the council meeting this evening to the government to widen the Burlington Canal, and the letter was referred to the board of control.

A by-law to raise \$20,000 for street flushing was given three readings.

Ralph Rufus was again arrested this evening, this time on a charge of cutting and wounding.

John Good and Marguerite Gibson, two squaws, were arrested this evening on a charge of vagrancy. Both were being held around the Court House-square.

The Street Railway Company says at the idea of another strike, in view of its agreement with the men, which has two years to run, it would not, say, however, that they will refuse it if it comes to a show-down to recognize the agreement, as the company, they declare, has already violated it. They insist that unless their request for an increase is given some consideration, there is a strong probability of a strike.

ANNEXATION NO SUCH THING!

Chief Justice Mulock Tells New Yorkers the Question is Dead.

NEW YORK, Aug. 8.—There were three jurists on board the Celtic, of the White Star line, which arrived Sunday from Liverpool. On his way back to Canada came Sir William Mulock, who is the chief justice of the exchequer division of the high court of justice of Ontario.

Judge Mulock, when asked as to the feeling in Canada in relation to American annexation, said: "I think that the cordiality between the American and the Canadian passengers on this trip of the Celtic is the best answer and expresses the whole situation. There is nothing and should be nothing but good feeling between Canada and the United States. 'Annexation' with a twinkle in his eye. 'No such thing, unless you wish us to annex you. There is no thought as home of such a thing as asking for annexation to the United States, nor a need. As to prosperity, I truly believe that Canada is making the most substantial progress of any country in the world at the present time.'

To stay over until Wednesday and return on board the Oceanic of the Queen's Own line. Lord Chief Justice Baron Pallen, with Judge Bourke, K.C., recorder of Cork, Ireland, came on board the Celtic.

Fire in Don Foundry.

A fire in the Don Foundry last night did considerable damage. The largest building, located on Abbotsford's Marsh. The building was totally destroyed, because there were no hydrants near enough to be used.

Tried to Rob Till.

Robert Ball of 241 Borden street was arrested by Police Supt. Simpson of a store at 428 East Queen street, with his hand in the store till last night. The till contained 25 cents. Ball was out of the back of the store as soon as he saw the proprietor, but he ran into the arms of Constables Mulholland and Allan, who took him in charge.

Bacchus Verus Mars.

Fred Wright, 49 Galt avenue, a canvasser, was headed for England with the Queen's Own. Yesterday he sold his gun in a second-hand store in York street. Detective Wallace found it, and later found Wright in a saloon. He admitted selling the gun because he was short of money. He is charged with the theft.

Excursion to New York

Via Niagara Navigation Co. and Erie Railroad, August 18, good for ten days. Fare 50 cents return. Tickets, berth and all information may be secured at Webster's office, northeast corner King and Yonge-streets.

Fatally Scalded.

NEW YORK, Aug. 8.—Two men were dreadfully scalded, one fatally, and thirty families were panic-stricken today when a 400-gallon tank of hot water in an eight-inch wall blew up in the air shaft of the six-story building at the corner of Broome and Clinton-streets.

Both Legs Severed.

BELLEVILLE, Aug. 8.—John Brown, 19 years old, tried to board a freight train while it was in motion, when he slipped and fell under the wheels. An arm and both legs were cut off and he died shortly after.

U.S. Army 87,000 Strong.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 8.—The enlisted strength of the army during the present fiscal year has been fixed approximately at 87,000 men, under the arrangements of the estimate by Major Leonard Wood, chief of staff, and approved by President Taft.

Saved Eight Lives.

ST. CATHARINES, Aug. 8.—A medal of the Royal Humane Society is likely to be applied for by William Jones of this city, who during his seventy odd years has saved the lives of no less than eight persons. Three were from drownings, and a fourth from being burned to death.

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Official Send-Off Will Take Place at Armouries To-Morrow Night.

Ross rifles will be issued to the Queen's Own Rifles before they leave for England, stating them so, they will be equal to any corps in the world in point of excellence of weapons.

The regiment will be given an official send-off at the armouries to-morrow, the last drill night before leaving. Lieutenant Governor Gibson, who is an ex-Queen's Own man, will inspect the men and speak. The premier, Sir James Whitney, and Mayor Geary will also make speeches. Arrangements have been made to allow the parents and friends of the soldiers to use the galleries.

On Saturday night, when they leave, the men will be on a looking lot. Their backs will be covered with their belongings, which must be carried.

FIGHTING IN FORMOSA

Japanese Capture Positions of Headquarters.

VICTORIA, Aug. 8.—Fighting continues in Formosa, according to services received here from China, and popular subscriptions are being collected to supply the Japanese troops with comforts, five-cent contributions being taken by the Japanese newspapers.

July 23 the Japanese forces captured Shinarek, the mountain objective, where it is planned to place artillery dominating the rebel position. The Japanese were driven back twice. On one occasion the Formosans lay hidden in tall grass until the Japanese were within ten yards and then poured in a disastrous fire. The Japanese shortly afterwards took advantage of a storm from which the head-hunters took shelter. The advance resulted in the capture of several strong positions.

GROYNES FOR BEACHES

Works Committee to Consider Outlay of \$11,500 To-Day.

The civic works committee will today consider the construction of groyne or breakwaters, for the protection of the beaches, which the City Engineer Rust recommends, at a cost approximately of \$11,500. Mr. Rust will report that the construction of groyne will not doubt assist very materially in preventing any further damage of the beach, and they should be constructed at the foot of Woodbine-avenue, Waverley-road, Leslie-avenue, Maclean-avenue, Beach-avenue. These groyne would be about 1250 feet apart. If necessary, additional groyne could be constructed.

FELL DOWN MINE-SHAFT.

COBALT, Aug. 8.—(Special)—Peter Rickett, single, aged 42, was seriously injured in No. 3 slope on the first level of the Buffalo mine, when he fell 30 feet down the shaft. Rickett's mine took the entire distance to the drift. He landed on his feet, but fell to the ground heavily, striking his back on the track. The doctors report favorable hopes for his recovery.

Fell Off Sidewalk, May Die.

KINGSTON, Aug. 8.—(Special)—Mrs. William Wilson, aged 70, fell off the sidewalk, breaking her leg. She may not recover.

Farmers at Mountain Grove are looking for a stranger who bought several hundred calves and skipped out without settling.

E. W. Benjamin, proprietor of the hub and wheel factory at Yarker, aged 75, is dead. He had been in business there for 40 years.

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At Scarborough Beach.

The second week of Nervo's engagement at Scarborough Beach opened yesterday, and the fame of the daring performer's exploit served to attract large crowds. Amusement seekers are given double measure this week as, in addition to Nervo's thrilling chest dive from a lofty eminence, Raffin's Monkey Circus has been secured for an engagement. The Simian entertainers gave their first performances yesterday before delighted audiences. There are a dozen or more monkeys in the troupe, and their tricks are of the most clever and amusing description. The other departments of the park are all in full swing.

At Hanlan's.

To-night, the Grand Trunk band concert takes place at Hanlan's point on the combined bands of the Royal Grenadiers, 48th Highlanders and Queen's Own, Messrs. Waldron, Slater and Timson have prepared a great program.

The Only Through Sleeping Car Service From Toronto to Cobalt is operated by the Grand Trunk and T. & N. O. Railways on train "Cobalt Special" leaving Toronto daily at 8.30 p.m., reaching Temagami and Cobalt for breakfast. Also on train "Belmont Special," leaving Toronto 2.05 a.m.; on this train there is also a local sleeper (open at 10.30 p.m.) for Muskoka, Huntsville, Burk's Falls and North Bay.

Do not be deceived, but secure tickets and reliable information at Grand Trunk City Ticket Office, northwest corner King and Yonge-streets, Phone Main 4200.

Public Amusements

AT THE ALEXANDRA.

Allen Pawcett's new play, "The Grasshopper," produced at the Royal Alexandra last night by the Percy Haswell Company, under his personal direction, was received with marked approval by the large audience. It is a love story of Virginia, one of its leading motives being the contrast of the bustling business methods of the northerner and the more idyllic habits of the picturesque southerner. Interwoven with this is the dilemma in which Stephen Page finds himself when after a compromising flirtation with Mary Lamar, a Mountain Girl, he falls in love with Constance Markins, the daughter of Ambrose Markins, who has won the "Folly Mine" in a bet and is seriously unwell. She offers to cover a rich vein of coal.

When the play opens a strike is in progress over a reduction in wages and the northerner's bitterest opponent is Stephen Page, part proprietor and editor of the local newspaper. Markins, however, meets him more than half way and offers him the position of overseer in order that he may carry out his ideas. But Mary Lamar finds out his love affair with Constance and appeals to her to leave the happiness she enjoyed. Constance gives him up, but while visiting the mine a cave-in occurs, in which Mary is seriously injured. She offers to atone, but Mary realizes the social barriers in the way and sacrifices her love for his happiness. In the last act the reunion of Page and Constance is accomplished.

There is much to commend in Mr. Pawcett's treatment of his theme. His play has a strong and pathetic interest, but it is in the meantime too epical and the episodes do not in all cases assist the development of the story, which is otherwise well constructed, and especially in the earlier scenes. The dialog, natural and clever in parts, is sometimes too diffuse and could be improved by compression. But despite these details it held the attention of the audience, a proof that the human element is not lacking and that skilful revision is all that is needed to bring its merits into proper relief. The play is very attractively staged, the third act—that in the depths of the mine—being highly realistic and sensational. Mr. Pawcett in response to repeated curtain calls, modestly expressed his thanks for the reception accorded the production, and Miss Haswell was compelled to make another of her charming acknowledgments.

As Mary Lamar, Miss Haswell added another to her successful roles. Her rendering, always artistic, was full of a natural simplicity which needed no exaggeration to make it effective. Miss Helen Hilton's Constance was full of quality and Miss Angeline Carter was excellent as the negro mammy. Evelyn Markins, a child role, was excellently well played by Miss E. J. Clark, a clever Toronto girl, whose debut will be remembered. Richard Gordon made a manly Stephen Page and managed to make his role convincing. The hands of Miss G. G. Reynolds, as Ambrose Markins; William Cimon, as Bill Hurley; and the author himself, as Uncle Henry, gave good interpretations, and Thomas V. Emory's Jim Lamar, also deserves commendation. "The Grasshopper" will be offered during the week with the usual Wednesday and Saturday matinees.

SHEA'S GOOD BILL.

The second week at Shea's New Theatre provides a bill of mirth and music which rivals the big banner offering of the opening. The new theatre seems to dress acts so that attractions seen here now appear to greater advantage than in the old house.

Ethel Green, late of the Dick Whittington company, took everyone into camp yesterday with her character songs. Each song is striking and telling. Master Gabriel & Co., particularly the dog, which is done by Edwin Lemar, present Little Tommy (Tusken), which is better than the Buster Brown sketch.

The Victoria Four have a splendid singing act, with a rollicking tone to many of the numbers. Bird Timman & Co. have an aerial wire act that is expert and excellent.

Harlan Knight, with support, presents a rural one-act comedy called "The Chalk Line." It is good when it gets going. Ben Beyer and Brother are trick cyclists, and the blackface member is a comedian in addition.

Glady's song is striking and telling. She has a line of patter, songs and a dance or so that are good straight thru. The moving pictures are excellent.

Gus Nauman's new and enlarged orchestra, with the new scenery, are also vast improvements.

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COUNT THE LINES

The cut below is composed of lines running from the large black centre to the heavy border at the edge, and all contestants are to count the lines and send or bring the number, together with their name and address, written very plainly, to our store not later than Monday, Aug. 15th, at 6 o'clock.

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