

ALLOW OTHERS TO EXPERIMENT GARRATT ON NIAGARA POWER

Says the City Is Not Suffering in Any Way Now—He Favors the Distributing of the Power By the Government or by Existing Company—Ald. Beattie Makes Explanation.

The city of London's borrowing powers are being placed in the limelight just now as the result of the number of bylaws which it is proposed to submit to the electors for consideration in January.

Ald. Garratt went to the trouble to secure a statement from the city clerk as to where the city stands in regard to borrowing.

He gave the figures to The Advertiser today, and they show that the city, according to statute, may incur an indebtedness of \$2,355,488.

The city's debts now amount to \$1,920,728, leaving a borrowing balance of \$434,760.

This latter sum represents the total amount the city may borrow.

Pretty Well Eaten Up.

Up to date, the bylaws before the council, which it is proposed to submit to the people in January, total about \$700,000. Had it not been that the council last night decided to cut out the second portion of the water commissioners' recommendation, the amount would have been run up to over \$850,000.

Were it not for the fact, too, that the assessment of the city has been greatly increased by the assessment department, and also by the erection of many new factories, houses, etc., in London, in the past two years, the city would not now be in what appears to be a position to borrow about \$1,000,000 or more. If a decrease in values should occur, the borrowing powers would be reduced accordingly.

Can't Borrow Money.

The majority of the aldermen do not regard the city's position in this regard as favorable, however, the slaps the city got the other day when Continued on Page Nine.



ALD. BEATTIE, Acting mayor, presiding at council meeting last night.

ALD. SAUNDERS WAS THE ACTING MAYOR

Someone Sent Him a Head of Cabbage, But He Didn't Grow Angry.

Ald. Saunders was acting mayor today, and he had a pleasant hour in the office in that city hall from 12 till 1. Some joker—Ald. Saunders accuses Ald. Gillean or Ald. Stevely—sent him a particularly husky head of cabbage for a bouquet, and the acting mayor promptly ordered a boy to wrap it up and take it to the Saunders residence forthwith.

"I'm one ahead," said he, and he laughed heartily.

Then he said he would buy a cigar for the crowd in the office, and several aldermen expressed the fear that he was going to buy more cabbage.

But the acting mayor didn't.

He bought good cigars all round, and after signing several checks left the capable of superintending the cooking of the cabbage.



MR. E. F. B. JOHNSTON, K.C., Leading counsel for defendants in the London election trial.

WITNESS PRITCHETT'S STORY PROBED BY DEFENSE COUNSEL

Under a Four-Hours' Searching Cross-Examination—Admits Forging Deputies' Names and Committing Perjury—Did Not Meet Mr. Reid at Any of the Elections.

[From Our Own Man.]

Toronto, Nov. 19.—The cross-examination of John G. Pritchett by Mr. Johnston occupied practically the whole time of the court this morning in the London election case. Mr. Johnston subjected the witness to a very searching cross-examination. Pritchett was taken over the whole ground covered in his direct testimony. He admitted that he had committed perjury and had forged deputies' names. He also admitted that he had used an assumed name on many occasions. In other details he flatly contradicted himself. Pritchett connected only O'Gorman with the alleged conspiracy. There was not a little of evidence against the others. Pritchett could not give any details of any conversations with O'Gorman.

The examination in chief of Pritchett was then concluded, and the witness taken in hand by Mr. Johnston.

"You were a Liberal?"

"Yes."

"You did work on your own motion in elections?"

"Yes; not always."

"You were always led by the nose?"

"No. I worked by myself sometimes."

"You introduced this scheme of switching into Canadian?"

"Well, I don't think so."

"Where did you learn this?"

"In the States. I also learned some in Canada."

"Then you deny you invented the scheme of switching?"

"Yes. I did not."

"You swore in the public court that you invented it."

"I don't remember."

"You went into this business because of your interest in the party?"

"Yes."

"That was your motive?"

"Yes."

"Well then, it was not because of O'Gorman's money?"

"Well, it was because of his money."

"You sold your conscience for a little bit of money?"

"Yes, if you say so."

"You offered your soul to John O'Gorman for a little sum of money?"

Used Assumed Name.

"I never thought of it."

"Did it not occur to you that it was a crime?"

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\$40,000 Addition to Hospital Will Be Used for Private Cases Only

Accommodation for One Hundred More Patients to Be Provided.

Plans are being prepared by Messrs. Moore and Henry for an extensive addition to the west wing of St. Joseph's Hospital.

For some time the hospital has been

very much crowded, and has outgrown the addition which was completed a few years ago.

It is stated that the new addition will cost about \$40,000, and will be used for private cases exclusively.

Work will be commenced on the new building as early as possible in the spring.

The building will be the same height as the present hospital, and will be capable of accommodating over a hundred patients.

YOUTHFUL PRISONER COMMITTED FOR TRIAL

Gordon Mines, the youthful east ender, who was recently arrested by County Constable Shaver, on a charge of housebreaking, was yesterday committed for trial by Magistrate Chittick.

William Scott was to have appeared for trial before one of the county judges today, but was held over pending the return of Crown Attorney McKillop, who is in St. Thomas attending court.

There will be two cases tried before Squire Chittick this afternoon. One is an assault case and the other is on a charge of using abusive language.

EMPEROR WILLIAM A MIGHTY TIPSTER

New York, Nov. 19.—A Times cable from London says: Before leaving Windsor Castle yesterday for Highcliffe Castle Emperor William left no less a sum than \$10,000 to be divided as tips among the servants at the castle, the gamekeepers and the stable attendants. On his previous visit to Windsor in 1891 the imperial tip was only \$2,500.

LONDONERS RECEIVE BEST SHOT BADGES

Ottawa, Nov. 18.—The following list of winners of best shot badges for 1907 is published today in the militia orders: Military district No. 1 (London): Twenty-sixth, Color-Sergeant, Danford; Twenty-seventh, Corp. C. Kembley; Twenty-eighth, Sergt. Bowers; Twenty-ninth, Pte. Quinn; Thirtieth, Pte. Turner; Thirty-first, Pte. M. Eby; Thirty-third, Pte. Churchill.

Military district No. 2 (Toronto): G. G. B. G. Pte. Barkley; Second Dragoon, Pte. Biggars; Twelfth Regiment, Sergt. J. Hunt; Twentieth, Color-Sergeant, Lynd; Twenty-third, Sergt. Teneyck; Thirty-first, Color-Sergeant, Hunt; Thirty-fourth, Sergt. Gallaher; Thirty-fifth, Pte. A. Lang; Thirty-sixth, Corp. McKay; Thirty-seventh, Corp. Connolly; Thirty-ninth, Pte. Kniffin; Forty-first, Pte. Sanders; Seventy-seventh, Pte. Odgers.

Military district No. 3 (Kingston): Third Dragoons, Capt. Medd; Fourth Hussars, Sergt. McConvey; Sixteenth Regiment, Sergt. P. Kerr; Fortieth, Capt. Bolster; Forty-fifth, Capt. Leck; Forty-seventh, Capt. Knight; Forty-ninth, Pte. S. Harland.

GIANT CANAL PROJECT.

Philadelphia, Nov. 19.—Delegates from seventeen states met in convention here today to further the project for an inland waterway along the Atlantic coast from Massachusetts to North Carolina. Much of the route of the waterway already exists, and it is proposed to follow the channels of the Connecticut, Delaware, Chesapeake, and Potomac rivers, bays, etc., that are to be a part of the course, be deepened and widened so as to permit the passage of the largest warships. It is the idea of the projectors to run the water from Barnstable Bay on the north side of Cape Cod to Beaufort Inlet, N. C. This would require the cutting through Cape Cod from Barnstable Bay to Buzzards Bay, on the south, and the water distance from Boston to New York about 75 miles.

INDICTMENT NOLLED.

Cleveland, Ohio, Nov. 19.—The indictment returned in criminal court here against Dr. Leroy Chadwick, several years ago, in which he was charged with aiding and abetting his wife, Mrs. Cassie Chadwick, in forging the name of Andrew Carnegie to a note for \$5,000,000, was nolleed yesterday by Judge Estep, upon the request of the county prosecutor, Mrs. Chadwick shortly before her death employed a Cleveland attorney to have the indictment nolleed if possible.

THE WEATHER.

TOMORROW—COLDER.

FORECASTS.

Toronto, Nov. 19—5 a.m. Local—Northerly winds; colder, with today snow flurries.

Wednesday—Easterly winds and cold.

TEMPERATURES.

Stations.	8 a.m.	Min.	Weather.
Calgary	10	28	Cloudy
Winnipeg	10	28	Fair
Port Arthur	10	28	Cloudy
Toronto	10	30	Fair
Ottawa	10	30	Cloudy
Montreal	10	32	Cloudy
Quebec	10	30	Cloudy
Father Point	10	28	Cloudy

The first column in the above table records the temperature at 8 o'clock this morning, and the second column records the minimum temperatures during the 24 hours previous.

WEATHER NOTES.

The weather is milder, with high southerly winds in the Western Provinces, and turning colder, with northerly winds, in Ontario and Quebec.

Cow Wrecks a Freight Brakeman Cut In Two

Goderich, Ont., Nov. 19.—An unfortunate accident occurred this morning on the G. T. R., which resulted in the death of Brakeman Durst, of Sebringville, Ont. A switching car, while taking fourteen empty cars down a hill, three-quarters of a mile

west of Goderich yard, struck a cow on the track, the collision derailing four cars and throwing Brakeman Durst under the train, killing him instantly. Durst was cut completely in two, death being instantaneous. He was a single man about 23 years of age. An inquest will be held.

City Council Desires More Light On Cost of Power Distribution

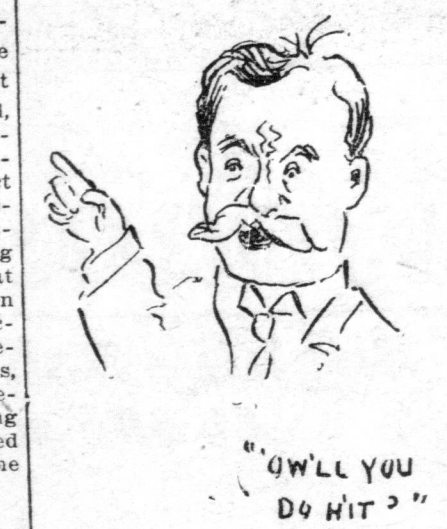
Special Committee Authorized To Employ Experts in the Matter.

The first reading of the power by-law to provide \$275,000 passed the council by a vote of 10 to 2, at last night's meeting. Ald. Garratt moved, seconded by Ald. Gerry, that the by-law be referred to the special committee and if they see fit to instruct the power engineer to prepare a statement of the estimated cost of distribution and prepare plans, showing area proposed to be covered, and that if they see fit the engineer be given an independent and competent electrical engineer to assist him in preparing the above estimates and plans, and said estimate and plans to be before this council at its next meeting or at a special meeting to be called for that purpose by his worship the mayor.

This motion carried unanimously.

be submitted to issue debentures for \$250,000, for waterworks purposes, and that a plebiscite be taken at the next municipal elections on the question of (a) High pressure system; (b) Filtration system; (c) Komoka scheme. This was ruled out, because the bylaw as proposed asks for Komoka, and the motion would be of no use.

Ald. Stevenson then moved in amendment, that the city solicitor be instructed to prepare a bylaw for Continued on Page Six.



The Waterworks.

After a long argument the motion of Ald. Scarlett, that the waterworks bylaw, as proposed by the commissioners, be given by the council, passed. Before the vote was taken, however, Ald. Stevenson wished to move that no action be taken on the waterworks bylaw, but that a bylaw

CAMPBELL-BANNERMAN BETTER BUT MUST TAKE LONG REST

London, Nov. 19.—Sir Thomas Barlow, physician to King Edward's household, made a lengthy examination of Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman at Downing street today, and an official announcement was published subsequently to the effect that the patient's condition was satisfactory, but that in view of the approaching

session of Parliament it is necessary that he should have some weeks' complete change and rest. The Premier, therefore, is going abroad almost immediately. He has not been the same man since his wife died last year, and his recent acute attack of heart trouble at Bristol was a signal that his political activities have overtaken his physical strength.

G. T. R. Must Pay for Burley's Death

In the trial court at Osgoode Hall, before Mr. Justice Clute, ruling was given in the case of Burley vs. G. T. R. Company. Judgment (G. A. B.) in action tried with a jury at Sarnia. Action by the estate of Alonzo Burley, deceased, for damages for the death of deceased owing to defendants' negligence, as alleged.

The deceased was a conductor on defendants' railway, and left Sarnia on April 24, 1907, in charge of a train for Mimico by way of London. The train reached East London about 11 o'clock at night, and it was then found that the engine must be run into the repair shop for repairs. The order for this purpose was given by the conductor to the engine driver, while standing on the station platform, East London. The driver went off to obey the order, leaving the conductor on the platform, and that was the last time he was seen alive.

Immediately after a car from another train was run by a flying shunt into the repair shop yard, the body of the deceased was found by the night watchman at Rectory street between the rails of the first track south of the station. No one saw the accident.

Death of George Stiles.

The death occurred at Maple Grove Farm, con. 3, London Township, yesterday, of George Stiles, one of the best-known and most highly-respected residents of that vicinity. The late Mr. Stiles was 69 years of age and lived in London Township all his life. He was unmarried. The funeral, which will be private, will take place from the late residence to Woodland Cemetery on Wednesday afternoon.

Excitement Causes Loss of an Eye Sequel to Drowning of Horton St. Lad

Mr. William Spettigue, of Hill Street, Victim of Peculiar Accident.

As a result of having become greatly excited Sunday noon, when little Archie Blackwell was drowned, Mr. Wm. Spettigue, of Hill street, an employee of the London soap works, has

lost the sight of one eye, perhaps permanently.

When Mr. Spettigue heard of the accident he ran as fast as he could to the river, and in doing so strained the muscles back of the eyeball so greatly that a blood-vessel broke, destroying the sight of one eye.

Mr. Spettigue has been under medical treatment since the occurrence, but it is expected that he will lose the sight of the eye. Three specialists have already been called in.

G. T. R. YARDMEN GET AN INCREASE

Toronto, Nov. 19.—A committee of yardmen of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, east of St. Clair and Detroit River on the Grand Trunk Railway in conference for the past six weeks in Montreal with

Messrs. Brownlee and Fitzhugh, have concluded negotiations. As a result of the conference the yardmen will receive an increase of 12 per cent, to take effect Nov. 21. The new rate will affect between 500 and 600 men on the entire system.

Mighty Is Name of Smith in London

Everybody knows that Smith is one of the commonest of names, but there are perhaps but few people aware that there are exactly 275 adults in this city bearing that name.

The new directory just published by the Advertiser job department for Mr. Vernon, the directory man, sets forth this fact, as well as innumerable other interesting features.

For example, there are as many tobacco stores as there are restaurants, there being twenty of each in the city. London has 26 hotels, besides any number of cafes and other eating places.

In the matter of police the Forest City is very well equipped, having no less than 43 officers of the law.

The firemen come close up with 32 members.

There are 22 city officials, and 105 people engaged in the local mail service.

In all there are 129 lodges and benefit orders here, and 33 clubs of various kinds.

There are 26 shoemakers in London.

Twenty-three real estate agents do business here.

The new directory is very handsome in appearance, and appears to have omitted no important item concerning the city.

In churches London is well supplied, there being 49 of various denominations here.

As stated some time ago, the directory places the city's population at about 57,000, or 9,000 more than the figures of the assessment department.

Horses Frightened By Automobile

A serious accident was narrowly averted at the corner of Queen's avenue and Picton street yesterday afternoon about 6 o'clock, when a team driven by a farmer named Hines, living in London Township, became frightened at a passing automobile and attempted to run away.

The horses jumped to one side, and in doing so, struck the wagon tongue against a telegraph pole, with the result that the tongue and whiffletrees were badly smashed.

The occupants of the wagon received a severe shock, but fortunately were not injured.

Jockey Cormack Plans a Great Racing Stable

To Establish a Breeding Farm and Track Near Woodstock, Ontario.

Word has been received here that Alex. Cormack, the well-known Woodstock jockey, who is at present riding in France, and who has made a large fortune in the saddle, will return after Christmas, with a stable of English brood mares and a stud, and start a racing stable at Woodstock.

Mr. Cormack's idea is to build either a mile or a half-mile track at Woodstock, near his handsome residence there, and go in exclusively for racing.

The ground for the track has all been measured.

Cormack, who rides at 110 pounds, started the game as an exercise boy only a few years ago, and now he is independently wealthy.

The young man first signed up to ride for a horseman named Kettleman, who later went broke, and sold the boy to Schultz, the well-known turfman, for the small sum of \$100. Schultz made lots of money on the boy's riding, and resold the contract at a handsome figure.

For some time Cormack has been riding as a free-lance on the French tracks, having refused all offers to ride for any one owner.

Having made his pile, he now intends to enjoy it in his own way.

This news should prove of particular interest to London horsemen, many of whom are well acquainted with Woodstock owners, and would be glad of the opportunity of competing on a modern track, such as the new course promises to be.

PROPOSES A POPULAR LOAN TO SOLVE CITY'S MONEY PROBLEM

A novel way out of the financial difficulties in which the city finds itself at the present time, was suggested by Ald. Stevely last night, when he moved, seconded by Ald. Gillean, that in view of the present stringency of the money market, and the difficulty in securing necessary funds from the banks, that No. 1 committee be empowered to consider the advisability of arranging for a popular loan to be subscribed for by the citizens only, bearing 5 per cent interest, and that

the committee be given power to consult the city solicitor and to consider other ways and means of raising the funds necessary to meet the liabilities of the city, and report back to the council.

Ald. Gillean, in seconding the motion said that he thought there were enough public-spirited people in the city who had money to spare who would gladly come to the city's aid in their present predicament.

The motion was put and carried unanimously.

The Council Orders Hospital Bylaw Prepared

Considerable discussion took place at last night's meeting of the council regarding the clause that a bylaw be prepared for submission at the next municipal election providing for the raising of the sum of \$6,000 for the cost of the joint sanatorium for consumptives to be erected by the city and the county of Middlesex.

Ald. Matthews took strong exception to the proposal, and thought the city had had enough experience in joint dealings with the county council which have proved unsuccessful. He thought that with a grant of \$8,000 from the Government, \$6,000 from the people, and \$20,000 from Mr. Blair, the city should be in a position to look after its own patients.

Ald. Stevely pointed out that the conditions of Mr. Blair's gift were expressly for a hospital for the city and county. He thought the county had been very fair with the city, and it pieces.

On the motion being put it was carried by a vote of 6 to 5.

Broke the Glass.

While attempting to move a heavy plate glass window from a downtown restaurant this morning, the men in charge met with an accident and let it fall, breaking it into a thousand