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THE CITY COUNCIL STRIKES THE RATE FOR 1890.

Pathetic But Unavailing Protests Against the Various Cuts—The Trades and Labor Council Invited to Participate in the Dominion Day Celebration—The Howard Monument.

The City Council met yesterday afternoon to discuss the estimates and strike the assessment rate for 1890. City Clerk Blevins wore his right arm in a sling, the cause being an attack of his ancient enemy the gout, but he was sufficiently in the ring to exercise a mild supervision over the proceedings. Time was called at 3¼ sharp, there being present Mayor Clarke, Ald. St. Thomas Carlyle, Maughan, Carlyle (St. And.), Allen, George Verral, Hill, Graham, Peter Macdonald, Gillespie, Hewitt, Bailey, Lucas, Denison, G. S. Macdonald, Gibbs, McMullen, McDougall, Small, Swait, Bell, Hallam, Boustead, Shaw, Dodds, Booth, Moses, Vokes and Lindsey. Letters of regret for inability to attend were read from Ald. J. E. Verral, J. K. Leslie and Ritchie. Before regular business opened up the following resolution, moved by Ald. St. Andrew's Carlyle and seconded by Ald. Hill, was adopted:

That it be an instruction from this Council to the Reception Committee to invite the Toronto Trades and Labor Council to take part in the procession on Dominion Day.

School Trustee C. A. B. Brown as chairman of the Finance Committee of the board was given the privilege of the floor to protest against the $21,000 cut into its estimates made by the Executive Committee. Mr. Brown stated that the item would either have to be re-inserted or else borrow it outside and then look to the city for its payment.

Ald. Hill was called to the chair in committee of the whole to take up the civic estimates as struck by the executive. The report contained this clause:

Your committee have pleasure in being able to report an aggregate rate of taxation of 14½ mills in the dollar, being the same as last year's rate. All increases of expenditure over last year arising out of the extension of the limits of the city and other requirements are covered by a progressive increase in the assessment.

Ald. Shaw was very pathetic over the wholesale reductions which had been made in the Board of Works figures. He was very sarcastic in discussing the treatment accorded him by the Executive. It was absolutely necessary to have at least another $10,000 for street cleaning. If this was not done, then the council and not the board would be responsible for the dirty streets.

Protesting Against the Cuts.

Mayor Clarke as Chairman of the Board of Police Commissioners wanted some of the big slice cut off this department's estimates restored. The reduction if persisted in could only result in the reduction of the force, a course which in the present condition of affairs could not but have an evil result, particularly in the outskirts of the city, which would be the chief sufferers.

Ald. Swait, an equal sufferer in the matter of parks and gardens with Ald. Shaw in Board of Works matters, added a determined protest against the heavy slashing of figures in his department. Then acting Chairman of the Markets and License Ald. George Verral and Chairman Carlyle of the Local Board of Health both had something to say about the harsh way in which their respective departments had been treated. Ald. Moses for the Property Committee said he was willing to accept the rate as proposed, but should the Board of Works and the Parks and Gardens get an increase then he wanted the council to understand that he was in the ring to know. Ald. Bell, for the fire brigade, made a touching appeal to have the item of $2500 for the chemical engine restored. That was all he wanted.

Mayor Clarke spoke strongly in favor of the Board of Works, Public School Board and the police estimates getting certain of the sums which had been clipped off restored. He believed if the rate was kept at 14½ mills, there would be large deficits in several of the departments at the end of the year. Such a policy to his mind was a blind and cheese-paring policy.

After a great deal of wrangling the motion was put that the rate be 14½ mills, Ald. Denison moving in amendment that the rate be 14⅝. Before it came to a vote Ald. Gillespie attacked the Police Department, claiming that it was the most overpaid one in the city. The police were not made to work as they ought to. They distribute the water rates bills, tax bills, etc., in the cities of the other side, and they should be made to do the same here. He held to the 14½ mills, and was followed by Ald. Vokes, who also believed that 14½ was enough.

The Denison amendment was lost, when Ald. G. S. Macdonald moved a second one that the rate be not now struck, but that the council first consider the estimates. This was carried, 14 to 11.

The Chief Ranger's Monument.

Ald. Gibbs attempted a further $8000 cut in one fell sweep by this resolution:

That the item in the Executive Committee's report, providing the sum of $10,000 for the erection of a monument to the memory of the late J. G. Howard, donor of High Park to the City of Toronto, be amended by inserting the sum of $2000 in lieu thereof, said $2000 to be expended in the erection of a single block of Canadian granite, with a brief inscription simply setting forth the fact of the munificent donation, ending with the same wording as that in St. Paul's Cathedral (in London, Eng.) for its architect, Sir Christopher Wren, viz.: "If you wish to see his monument look around you."

Ald. Gillespie moved in amendment that the whole item be struck out, asserting that the late Mr. Howard had been already well enough paid for his gift. Both resolution and amendment were lost.

Ald. Bell moved that $2500 be inserted in the Fire and Light estimates for the purchase of a chemical engine, but suffered a defeat. The Mayor again asked for grace for the Police estimates and fell foul of Ald. Boustead because of the latter's statement that the rate would be 18 mills, calling it a bugaboo.

Ald. Boustead replied, in kind, denying that his statement was a bugaboo, but had simply told what was a fact.

The Mayor returned to the charge, claiming that Ald. Boustead's assertion had no foundation in fact, and would not apologize for using the word "bugaboo."

Ald. Graham moved that $5000 be restored to police estimates. This was declared lost, the chairman claiming that a two-thirds vote was necessary to make the motion successful. Ald. Swait and Graham appealed against his ruling, but afterwards withdrew the opposition, the Mayor declining to take the chair just then until he was better informed on the point. Ald. Carlyle (St. And.) held that $10,000 should be restord to the school estimates, but was badly sat upon. The estimates passed through committee of the whole as originally drafted.

In council Ald. Gibbs again moved his Howard resolution, which was defeated.

The Rate Struck at 14 1-2 Mills.

Ald. Graham, seconded by Ald. McDougall, moved that $5000 be added to the police estimates, but was unsuccessful. The estimates were then adopted and 14½ mills struck as the rate for 1890.

The regular meeting of the council was held last evening, commencing at 7.40. Mayor Clarke presided, 24 aldermen being present. Among the petitions was one from the pedlers signed by 5000 odd ratepayers praying for a reduction in the license fees paid by them.

Ald. J. K. Leslie was tendered the congratulations of the council on his recovery from his recent severe illness.

On motion of Ald. Swait the use of the Exhibition Grounds was given the school children on June 28 for their annual games.

A bylaw arranging for the closing of Centre-street across the drillshed site was read a third time and passed.

The pedlars and grocers occupied the attention of the council for about half an hour, each telling terrible stories about the other.

It was 9 o'clock when the council went into committee of the Whole on the executive's report, Ald. Irwin in the chair. There was a lengthy discussion on the question of the life of block-paving, in Christie, Dupont and Hayden-streets, the City Engineer recommending that it be five years. Ald. Gowanlock held it should be eight years, but a compromise was effected at seven.

Ald. G. S. Macdonald returned to the charge to secure the raising of the Gerrard-street bridge to the proper level. He met with a certain measure of success; getting the council to refer it back.

Queen-street West Extension.

Your committee recommend that the proposed extension of Queen-street west north of the railway tracks to High Park be referred back to the Committee on Works for the purpose of having the petition for the same sufficiently signed, it having been already decided that it is not desirable to recommend improvements of this kind on insufficiently signed petitions.

This clause created quite a lively discussion, Ald. Shaw and Lennox wanted the work pushed through, while Ald. Gowanlock and Denison, both extreme West Enders, were anxious to see it go back. It took half-an-hour's steady talk to convince the council that the clause was dead right with the trifling amendment that it does not go back, but the extension go no farther than the intersection of Indian-road.

The recommendation of the Board of Works that the Metropolitan Street Railway Company be given leave to run electric motors to the Canadian Pacific Railway track in Yonge-street from the northern city limit was referred to the special committee on the street railway affairs.

General License Inspector Awde's report in the matter of the increase in pedlars' license fees was adopted with trifling amendments. The standing reports passed through all their stages and at 11½ the council took up the amended agreement re the Don. It was carried after some opposition on the part of Ald. G. S. Macdonald, and the mayor was instructed to sign it on behalf of the city and affix thereto the city seal.

The council adjourned at 11.20.

THE DEAF MUTES.

Proceedings at the Convention Yesterday—Some Interesting Papers.

The second day's session of the Ontario Deaf Mute Association was held at the Y.M.C.A. rooms yesterday morning. Rev. Mr. Mann opened with prayer. Then followed an essay on "Intermarriage of the Deaf" by Mr. A. W. Mason. He combatted Dr. Bell's theory with much vigor, and referred to the babies baptized on Sunday as proof of its falsity. The discussion that ensued was entirely in support of Mr. Mason's contentions.

An admirably prepared and graphically rendered essay on "Self Improvement" by Mr. William Nurse, secretary of the association, was next in order. His arguments were with great force and were heartily endorsed by Rev. Mr. Mann and Prof. Coleman.

Mr. Ashly read an essay on "The Use and Abuse of Signs," advising the deaf to use signs cautiously, especially when conversing in public.

Mr. Mason then asked the members to assemble in front of the Carlton-street Methodist Church for a group photograph. Before adjourning, however, a vote of thanks was tendered Rev. Mr. Mann for his valuable services, which he responded to in suitable terms.

The afternoon session opened with an interesting address by Mr. E. A. Hodgson, of the New York Journal. He spoke of his early training in the schools of Toronto and his love for the beautiful city.

The pathetic story of "Barbara Frietchie" was rendered in graphic signs by Miss Maxwell of Detroit. She is an accomplished young lady and her presence was as attractive as her knowledge of the sign language.

A thoughtful essay on "Economy," by Mr. D. J. McKillop, and one on Missionary Work Among the Deaf," by Mrs. A. Mason followed.

Mr. J. D. Nasmith of this city, who is well known for his kindness and generosity, and who has done so much to promote the welfare of the deaf mutes of Toronto, gave a practical address of much interest to all.

Mr. Nurse gave "The Soldier's Funeral" in fine style, his graphic and realistic signs conveying a correct impression of the scene portrayed.

Profs. Coleman and Ashley, who had to leave on the evening train for home, were cordially thanked for their services.

The evening session was devoted to essays by Messrs. Broughton and Brigden, the election of officers and miscellaneous business. To-day there will be an excursion and athletic sports to conclude the program.

THE MILITIA UNDER ARMS.

A Riot at Schuylerville Between Electric Light Workmen and Church People.

SARATOGA, June 23.—Yesterday afternoon there was a row at Schuylerville between a gang of Electric Light Company workmen and the parishioners of the Church of the Visitation (Catholic). The church people insisted that the workmen should not set poles in front of the church, and as fast as holes were dug they filled them up. A row ensued, but no one was totally injured, though missiles flew in a shower. Sheriff Deyoe appeared, and ordered the rioters to desist. They refused, and a scuffle ensued between the Sheriff, imported officers, and the crowd. Sheriff Deyoe, after arresting one man, telephoned to Captain McEwen of the Twenty-second Separate Company of Saratoga that the services of the military were needed at once. Soon afterward the company, 66 men strong, were under arms, but were informed that things were quieter and that they would not be needed that night.

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A DAY AT WHITBY COLLEGE.

PLEASANT HOURS WITHIN ITS CLASSIC HALLS.

Over 100 Fair Students of Ontario Ladies' College Conclude Their Studies for the Summer—An Afternoon with the Immortal Bard—The Graduates and Prize Winners.

WHITBY, June 23.—For the fair students of the Ontario Ladies' College, Whitby, today was the fitting climax of a successful term and the equally appropriate prelude of a well earned holiday. Yet withal there is a tinge of sadness in the fact that the halls of learning no longer resound with merry laughter or the music of fairy feet. Teachers and students are gone; some never to return.

The commencement exercises were concluded to-day and a special train from Toronto conveyed over 300 visitors to the college grounds. When the Torontonians arrived there were already a large number of people present from all over Canada and even from the United States. The afternoon concert consisted of a charming representation of Shakespeare's "Midsummer Night's Dream," in which Misses Kenny, Brouse and C. Foster took leading parts. To make special mention of the young ladies excelling in the histrionic art would be impossible, for all deserve a share of praise. Suffice it to say that the audience were delighted. The proceedings were interspersed with instrumental music by Misses McKee, Sparling, G. Taylor and Decker and vocal music by Misses Wood and McKee and the choral class.

Then followed refreshments and a pleasant hour of promenading around the beautiful grounds and in inspecting the pupils' work in the art gallery.

In the evening the building was again crowded to the doors. The principal, Rev. J. J. Hare, presided, and after a chorus certificates from the Ontario School of Art were presented to Misses Brown, Browning and German. The degree of M.L.A. (Mistress of Liberal Arts) was conferred upon Miss Kenny, Ottawa, and Miss Somerset, Winnipeg. Miss McCraney, Oakville, was granted the degree of M.E.L. (Mistress of English Literature). Chancellor Burwash addressed the three young ladies, while bouquets of roses were showered from all parts of the hall. Instrumental music by Misses McKee and Sparling and vocal music by Misses McKee and Wood followed, after which Rev. Dr. Johnston of Toronto gave a short address.

These diplomas were then granted: Fine arts, Misses Brown and Browning; commercial, Misses Davidson, L. Davidson, Curd, Hare, L. McCraney; elocution, Misses Brouse, Brown, Foster, Kenny, Kline and McCraney.

After an address from Rev. Dr. Hunter, Misses Bambridge and McKee gave a vocal duett and these medals and prizes were presented: Gold medal in M.L.A. course, Miss Somerset, Winnipeg; silver medal in M.L.A. course, Miss Kenny, Ottawa; silver medal in M.E.L. course, Miss McCraney, Oakville; gold medal in instrumental music, Miss McCutcheon; silver medal in instrumental music, Miss Sparling, Wingham; silver medal in vocal music, Miss Wood, Whitby; silver medal in fine arts, Miss Brown, Irquois; silver medal for general proficiency, Miss German, Parkdale; silver medal in elocution, Miss Kenny, Ottawa; prize in elocution, Miss Brouse, Ottawa; silver medal in commercial, Miss L. McCraney, Oakville; prize in commercial, Miss Curd, Toronto.

A violin solo by Miss W. Wilson, an essay by Miss Kenny, a chorus, addresses by Dr. J. A. McLellan, Toronto, and John Dryden, M.L.A., and solos by H. M. Blight concluded the evening's entertainment.

Among those present were: A. T. Wood, Hamilton; W. D. Matthews and Warring Kennedy, Toronto; J. S. Larke, Oshawa, and a large number of prominent Methodist ministers.

It is worthy of note that fully one-fourth of the students come from Toronto.

IDLENESS BROKE HIS HEART

Failing to Secure Employment Fritz Strittmatter, a German Piano Finisher, Blows Out His Brains—The Inquest.

At 8¼ yesterday morning a German piano finisher named Fritz Strittmatter was found dead in the bowling alley attached to Mason & Risch's piano factory at 640 King-street west. There was a bullet hole in the right side of the dead man's head directly behind the ear, and no one was totally injured, though missiles flew in a shower. Sheriff Deyoe appeared, and ordered the rioters to desist. They refused, and a scuffle ensued between the Sheriff, imported officers, and the crowd. Sheriff Deyoe, after arresting one man, telephoned to Captain McEwen of the Twenty-second Separate Company of Saratoga that the services of the military were needed at once. Soon afterward the company, 66 men strong, were under arms, but were informed that things were quieter and that they would not be needed that night.

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BRAZIL'S NEW CONSTITUTION.

Based Upon That of the United States—Some Peculiar Provisions.

RIO JANEIRO, June 23.—The new constitution was promulgated to-day. It recognizes a federal system based upon that of the United States. The President alone is responsible to the nation. The ministers are replaced by secretaries of state who are answerable to the President alone.

Parliament will consist of a House of Representatives and a Senate. The powers of these two bodies will be of a purely legislative character and an adverse vote by either chamber will not entail a change of ministry. A new House of Representatives will be elected triennially and a new Senate every nine years.

The President's term of office will be six years. The first presidential election will be by Congress and has been fixed for November next.

The new constitution is a source of much relief to the people, as it gives them more confidence in the government than when under a dictatorial control. There is great rejoicing throughout Brazil.

ALD. LINDSEY'S REPLY.

He Scores Col. Denison for the Attack on His Personal Character—The Alderman Sustained by His Colleagues.

The most interesting event in the City Council meeting last night was Ald. Lindsey's (St. Mark's ward) reply to Col. Denison's attack on him. The Mayor took the chair before 8 and at the first opportunity the representative of St. Mark's arose. He said:

I rise to a question of privilege. In a recent issue of a morning daily paper by private character I have been assailed by the Police Magistrate of this city on a question arising out of my discharge of my public duty as an alderman, and I claim in prompting an investigation into the abuses of his office. I wish to deny the existence of any animus whatever and submit that the result of your labors justifies your course and relieves me from the imputation of having applied the lex talionis.

With my private character the council is not concerned, but I wish to take this opportunity of saying that when the Police Magistrate stated that I was ever arrested for being drunk he gave utterance to a gratuitous and malicious falsehood, and when he connected my name with a scandal concerning a young lady who is not married, he but repeated what he stated eight years ago without knowing or caring to know then or now how that statement could be met or controverted. Nine years ago when at college I was arrested for preventing a policeman from clubbing a brother collegian. The charge against me was of obstructing an officer in the discharge of his duty, and to that I pleaded guilty for the purpose, and for the purpose only, of saving a fellow collegian from the consequence of exposure. Col. Denison cannot have forgotten that circumstance, when within some three months afterwards I was the invited guest at his own house. He has only to consult the calendar of his court and his own invitation list to corroborate my statements, and I can bring six gentlemen present at the time, sons of some of the most esteemed of our citizens, to bear me out in every word I say. His other slander is of a like kind.

One is perhaps at a loss to comprehend how this officer and gentleman came to adopt such tactics as slandering the private character of an individual in answer to a public charge against his official integrity made unanimously by this council unless it be the result of contamination by the class of persons with whom his office brings him in daily contact. But much as the exasperating circumstances might induce me to it I do not propose to retaliate on this official's personal infirmities, though did I desire to do so material would not be wanting, more especially covering the period of his own college days. If this is the heavy piece of artillery which he has discharged I am glad the shot is fired, for it strikes me at most with a spent and invulnerable force, while the man who fired it stands condemned by the press and public of this great city as having used the weapon of a coward.

So far as this council has gone into the abuses of this official of his office it was necessary to go at once, so that he might be recalled to his post of duty. In cutting off his salary and that of his assistant till he explains his conduct there was no unfair advantage taken of his absence any more than there would be in obtaining the opinion of your solicitor as to whose the blame rests for Meyerley's defalcations. Acco ding to the statement of the Police Court clerk the magistrate has entirely failed to perform his statutory duty of supervising the defaulting clerk's accounts, and one would think that out of the 365 days, exclusive of public holidays and Sundays, during the last three years that the Police Magistrate has been absent from his post of duty he might have spared the time to do what he has absolutely neglected to perform. No one denies him the right to reasonable recreation, but two years' work in three is not enough, and the duration of his vacation must be fixed by the employer, not by the whim of the employed. Now that the Police Magistrate has returned the sub-committee of this council can go quietly but firmly on in the discharge of the public duty committed to their care till the many abuses of this official of his office are right ed and he has been goaded on his official record.

From his seat upon the bench he treats this matter as a dead issue and the labors of this council with contempt, laughs at your many efforts to school him in his duties and answers all by an outburst of vindictive passion that we would hardly expect to fall from the lips of one entrusted with the administration of dispassionate justice. Brawler and meddler in personal affairs he taught that he is not to be permitted to make accusation of treason over his own signature in daily prints against such men as Edward Farrer and the early morning of the day on which Mr. Farrer appeals to him sitting as a judge for his protection from such criminal accusations from the pens of others.

Are we to cry halt in our investigations least our private life shall be invaded? Are we to acknowledge that the wheels of public justice shall be stopped because in the discharge of public duty our characters are vilified by those who are being brought to justice? I answer no.

The neck of the haughty and arrogant magistrate must be bent to his duties and his goings and comings dictated to by the people's representatives, whom he has so often treated with contempt, and if you get no acceptable assurance from this paid servant of the people that he will discharge his duties in the future more faithfully than in the p st let the Attorney-General of this province be asked whether yours or the will of your servant shall prevail.

To the charge of wandering the last two months he put the people of this county to the expense of $7000 he makes answer by a smile!

Shall such arrogant indifference to the demands of the people from their office go on to be repeated, or shall the people's representatives in faithful discharge of their public duty and unmindful of private calumny push this matter to its legitimate conclusion?

That what Ald. Lindsey said was approved of by the council was apparent from what followed. Ald. Boustead at once arose and said: "It would be unfair to let this matter pass without notice being taken of it by the council. I want to know how far an official paid by the corporation can use his position to bulldoze a member of the corporation in the discharge of his duty?" He went on to intimate that it was about time that the council should pass a resolution asking the Attorney-General to relieve Mr. Denison in the discharge of his duties of his position as Police Magistrate. If in that position he undertook to attack a member of the council it was something that should not be tolerated. "That is how I feel about it," said Ald. Boustead. "The sooner we put it right the better, and my own feeling is that this council should take action at once; I am sure this council is not going to tolerate anything of that kind."

Ald. Vokes was not slow to second Ald. Boustead in the matter. "It is only my duty to Ald. Lindsey," he said, "that I should say I would consider it just as fair for Ald. Denison to attack my character as to attack that of Ald. Lindsey. I am not aware of any shadow of vindictiveness on the part of Ald. Lindsey towards the Police Magistrate in any shape or form."

Merchants' lunch served from 12 to 3 p.m. at English Chop House, King-street west.

Vacation.

Many of you by this time have arranged to take a vacation of more or less extent during July and August. Especially is this true of the great army of mental workers who sit daily at their desks over huge columns of figures. This is the class that needs rest. Take your satchel and make the little jaunt or pay the pleasant visit you had in mind. It may bring you back to your boyhood days when your light was the last in town to go out. We are all better for a holiday; we return to business so much better physically and in such good spirits that you enter on the fall season with a push and impetus that will carry you into the busy part with vigor. Now, about hats. Dineen has all that is required for the outing season. Traveling, boating and seaside caps of all kinds at prices that will induce all parties to purchase. Dineen's store is on corner King and Yonge streets.

The best place to buy a Straw Hat is at Tonkin's, corner Yonge and Richmond-streets.

The Erie Railway Is the Only Line Running Through Pullman Toronto to New York.

Something every person should not forget who is going to New York, that you can step right into a magnificent pullman which leaves the Union Station at 4.55 p.m., arrive in New York early next morning. There is a fine dining car attached to this train every morning. You can also leave Toronto at 11 p.m. for New York.

Adams' Tutti Frutti Gum cures indigestion and improves the appetite.

NEWS FROM THE OLD WORLD

THE DUKE OF CLARENCE TAKES HIS SEAT IN THE LORDS.

A Backdown on the Part of the Government—Mr. Smith Abandons a Portion of the Licensing Bill—The Announcement Greeted with Opposition Cheers—A Member Resigns.

LONDON, June 23.—The House of Lords was filled with peers and privileged persons this evening on the occasion of the administration of the peer's oath to the newly created Duke of Clarence, Prince Albert Victor of Wales. The Queen's message to the lords formally announcing the bestowal of the ducal rank upon the Prince and establishing his status in the order of precedence was read, by which it is ordered that he take precedence after the Duke of Connaught but before the Duke of Albany. The procession then entered, headed by Admiral Sir James Drummond, gentleman usher of the black rod, followed by the Duke of Clarence with his sponsors, the Prince of Wales, his father, and the Duke of Edinburgh, his uncle, in ducal robes. After the usual formalities the Duke of Clarence took the peers' oath and signed the rolls. He was then conducted to the bar, where he bowed thrice to the throne, the Lord High Chancellor acknowledging the salute. He was conducted to the chair of state and shook hands with the Lord Chancellor, soon after which he withdrew.

A Back Down.

LONDON, June 23.—In the House of Commons to-day Mr. Smith said the Government had concluded it would be impossible to pass the licenses clause in its entirety. [Prolonged Opposition cheers.] The Government would ask the House to allow money for the extinction of licenses to accumulate until Parliament should direct otherwise. [Opposition cheers.] Mr. Gladstone and others opposed the principle of purchase of licenses entirely.

There is a consensus of opinion irrespective of party that the Government's new license scheme will not shorten the session of Parliament. The Nationalists, who have decided to continue their opposition on the ground that the measure is reactionary and unconstitutional. Mr. Caine, member for Barrow-on-Furness, with a view of testing the feeling of the electorate on the subject, resigned his seat to-night and will seek re-election on an anti-compensation program.

The temperance leaders to-night adopted a manifesto declaring the Government's scheme worse than worthless and asserting the principle of compensation is left untouched.

Their Lot Is Not a Happy One.

LONDON, June 23.—Col. Bradford, the new chief of police, has ordered that members of the force shall not hold meetings to agitate their grievances.

A South American Revolution.

LONDON, June 23.—A despatch from Buenos Ayres says revolutionary agitation in Entre Rios, a province of the Argentine Republic, is increasing.

Bismarck Talks.

BERLIN, June 23.—Prince Bismarck to-day received a deputation of the citizens of Berlin. Speaking to the visitors he maintained his right and duty to express freely his opinions regarding public events, and declared he would not give way even if he stood alone. He stated also that he always spoke in the interests of the dynasty and of peace. He declined to criticize the Anglo-German treaty in regard to East African territory.

The North German Gazette says Lord Salisbury and Count Von Hatzfeldt, the German Ambassador at London, will sign the basis of the African agreement tomorrow.

Australian Mails.

SYDNEY, N.S.W., June 23.—The Government subsidy to the San Francisco Mail Line will cease after November next unless the American Government subscribes toward the expense of maintaining the service.

An Insane Cricketer.

MELBOURNE, June 23.—Midwinter, the cricketer, is insane and his condition is hopeless.

France Consulted.

PARIS, June 23.—In the Chamber of Deputies to-day M. Ribot, Minister of Foreign Affairs, said nothing had been done with reference to Zanzibar without an understanding with France.

Red Hats.

ROME, June 23.—The Pope bestowed cardinals' hats upon Mgr. Vanutelli, Papal Nuncio at Lisbon; Archbishop Galerti of Ravenna; Bishop Mermillod of Lausanne and Bishop Dunajewski of Cracow.

The New London Regatta.

NEW LONDON, Conn., June 23.—Arrangements are completed for the two-mile race between Yale, Columbia and Cornell freshmen at 6½ to-morrow evening. The three crews are in prime condition and what little betting there is is even and based purely on friendship. It is expected to be a close contest.

The Rate War.

CHICAGO, June 23.—At the meeting of the representatives of the Chicago east bound railways to-day the Lake Shore gave notice that it would meet the Chicago & Grand Trunk's rate of 33 cents per 100 pounds on dressed beef, Chicago to the seaboard, to take effect on June 30. The other roads decided to follow suit. A proportionate reduction in cattle rates was agreed upon, which will bring the rate on cattle down to 19½ cents from Chicago to New York.

Was He Poisoned?

SAN SALVADOR, June 23.—President Menendez of San Salvador died suddenly last night soon after the conclusion of a banquet, given on the occasion of the fifth anniversary of the entrance of General Menendez into San Salvador.

A Musical Event.

Arrangements are now being made with a view of inducing Signor Liberati's celebrated band to give a grand festival here some time in July. This band comprises 50 picked musicians and four soloists. It is one of the finest bands in America, and it is said even superior to Gilmore's. It is to be hoped that some arrangements will be made whereby Torontonians will hear such a grand treat.

Osgoode Hall Notes.

John Douglass, Toronto, asks the Ontario Rolling Mills Company to pay him $2000 for injuries sustained through alleged defective machinery in defendants' mills.

Judgment has been given by Justice Ferguson in the injunction suit of Alexander v. Tillson. The injunction restraining the defendant from tanning hides other than those of the plaintiff is continued.

Bargains

for the carnival season: Owing to a large consignment of fine English straws arriving late, we are determined to clear them out in the proper season, and bargains are now offered in men's Swiss, Canton, Milan, Manilla and Mockwoia straw boaters; children's straw sailors, silk and satin trimmed in all sizes, shapes and colors at Grant & Co.'s, 77 King-street east. Don't miss this great opportunity.

Messrs. James Britton & Son

have purchased from the farmers of East York their summer supply of grass fed meats, and have reduced their prices on all joints on account of the demoralized state of the English and Scotch markets. The epicures of the city all go to Empress Hotel for Durham beef and Shropshire lamb prepared in Britton's first-class style.

Fine Balbriggan and Natural Wool Underwear in all weights and sizes. We have long and short sleeves and all sizes from 32 to 48 inches. Wheaton & Co., 77 King w., corner Jordan. 246

Will Close the Branch.

The branch of the Traders' Bank at St. Thomas will be closed on or before July 15. The business not being large enough to warrant the keeping open of the branch is the cause given for the course to be taken. Mr. Coleman, the present manager, comes to Toronto.

NOT YET CONSIDERED.

The City Has Not Decided What it Will Do With the Street Railway.

At the City Council meeting last night this letter from the City Solicitor was read:

In reply to Alderman Hallam's letter of June 11, stating that he will at the next meeting of the council, whether it be a special or general meeting, ask his Worship the Mayor:

(1) What is the intention of the City Council with regard to the Toronto Street Railway, and (2) Do they intend to run it as a municipal institution. I beg to report as follows:

(1) The intention of the City Council is, under the 18th resolution contained in the agreement of March 26, 1891, to acquire the railways of the Toronto Street Railway Company and all real and personal property in connection therewith at the expiration of the current term of the franchise, and if the consent of the ratepayers be obtained thereto on June 21, to borrow such sum of money as may be necessary for the above purpose. (2) The City Council has not yet considered this question.

C. R. W. BIGGAR.

The Official Figures.

The official returns of Saturday's vote on the street railway bylaw were presented to the City Council last night:

For	5585
Against	427
Majority	4958

ATTACKING THE DOCTOR.

Ald. Gowanlock Opens Out on the Medical Health Officer.

It goes without saying that the St. Alban's Ward pumping station is doomed to an early extinction. Yesterday Superintendent Hamilton furnished this information to the mayor:

In accordance with the order of the Committee on Waterworks, I beg to report that I tested the pressure at the St. Alban's pumping station, and at several hydrants on Saturday afternoon. I had the pressure tested before shutting down the engines, and before they were connected with the city. I also had the pressure taken after the engines were shut down, and the connections opened with the city service, and I feel the pressure without the St. Alban's engines satisfactory, and would, therefore, recommend that this station be shut down.

Accompanying the communication was a report giving the record of pressure before and after the shutting down of the St. Alban's Ward pumping engines.

BEFORE THE SHUTTING DOWN.

At Fire Hall 3.30 p.m., pressure 57 to 58 lbs.; Queen-avenue 3.37 p.m., pressure 56 to 57 lbs.; Union and Lansdowne-avenue 3.45 p.m., pressure 53 lbs.

AFTER THE SHUTTING DOWN.

At Fire Hall 3.15 p.m., pressure 35; 3.20 p.m. pressure 40 lbs., 3.30 p.m. pressure 58 lbs. From 3.30 to 4.10 varied from 58, 59, 55, 58, 60, 61, etc.

WHAT IS SAVED BY CUTTING OFF THE STATION.

The cost of pumping 192,411,382 gallons at Davenport by same rate per 1000 gallons as the cost for 8,859,159 gallons at St. Alban's station would be	$10,640 32
Cost of pumping same quantity at main pumping station	2,950 29
Difference between cost at two stations	$ 7,690 03

This report was presented to council last night and caused a right lively discussion. There was a clause in the waterworks report calling for the shutting down of the station for the purpose of making the mains uniform. Ald. Carlyle (St. And.) moved that the rule be made absolute and the station be shut down altogether. This roused the ire of Ald. Gowanlock, who claimed that the carrying of the motion was practically a breach of contract with Parkdale. Touching the quality of the water pumped from the discussed station, he charged that the medical officer was drunk when he made the test of the water, and was so much so that he could not stand on his feet. To his mind it was the outcome of real estate schemers who wanted to drain their property into Humber Bay.

Ald. Hill stuck to the superintendent, claiming that every day the station was kept going it was $30 needless expense to the city.

Ald. Gillespie: "Ald. Gowanlock has made serious charges against the Medical Health Officer, which if true should cause his instant dismissal."

It was expected that Chairman Carlyle would champion his chief executive officer, but he remained silent, and after another angry protest from Ald. Gowanlock the motion was adopted, and the western pumping station will become a thing of