NEWS FROM THE CITY HALL

Two Important Clauses of the Temperance Legislation Knocked Out.

The Controllers Would Not Pass the Prohibition Clause—The Lord's Day Alliance Thinks People Should Not be Allowed to Look at Flowers on Sunday—What Next?—General City Hall News.

The transactions of the Board of Control yesterday concerned chiefly matters of detail preparatory to the Council meeting of Monday.

Two laborers, James Welch and James Walker, employed by Contractor Thomas Bryce, complained that they were not receiving 15 cents an hour as required by by-law. Welch said he had received $8.10 for 80 hours' work. If the Engineer reports that the contractor is not paying requisite wages, steps will be taken to force him to do so.

E. A. Macdonald's application against being asked to put up $400 security for costs in his appeal of the case as to the appointment of the Assessment Commissioner was not entertained.

The Market Association.

Upon the request of President R. Donald of the Market Association, the board consented to grant the association the use of the Council Chamber for meetings. The advertising notices of meetings, the controllers recommend, should be paid for by the city.

City Cannot Discriminate.

Some time ago Ald. Preston moved a resolution to introduce the necessary legislation in Council to authorize the City Treasurer to receive up to January 1, 1898, in full payment of all arrears of taxes on unimproved lands imposed prior to 1896 a sum to be computed (1) at the amount of each year's rate on the present assessed value of the lands in question, (2) by the addition of a rate of interest not to exceed the average rate paid by the City Treasurer for funds borrowed during the period covered by the arrears in question.

The City Solicitor and Treasurer wrote advising that

"As the roll is valid and binding upon all parties concerned, and the Council has by by-law confirmed such an assessment, we know of no authority whereby the Council can reduce the assessment and accept taxes upon a later valuation than that on which such taxes were imposed, nor accept less taxes from those who are now in default than they have accepted from others who have been in default and who have made their payments. The same objection applies to reducing the rate of interest, as a municipality cannot discriminate between one ratepayer and another as to the rate of interest; to do so would be illegal."

Inspector J. L. Hughes and Trustee Kent of the Public School Board appeared to ask the board to pay for the band engaged at the school children's Jubilee concert. They alleged that Chairman Hallam of the Jubilee Committee pledged his committee to pay the account, which amounted to $87.50. Ald. Hallam denied this and threatened to resign his seat in Council before consenting to having the Council pay the account. Ald. Leslie remarked that the board would not be influenced by such a threat, whereat Ald. Hallam, as he was leaving, savagely retorted:

"I don't care the curse of a tinker's dam about it," and added that his word was as good as that of both the School Board representatives "and a darn sight better." Ald. Lamb was selected to arbitrate.

Ald. Woods' motion looking towards compelling The Star newspaper to live up to their contract for advertising the tax sale was reported on by the City Treasurer. Mr. Coady intimated that the contract called for nonpareil type at 48.100 of a cent per line agate measurement. "This," he adds, "is about one-twentieth of the price usually paid by the corporation for advertising in evening papers."

This is the only occasion that I am aware of that a formal contract has ever been entered into with a newspaper for the publication of a city of Toronto advertisement. "I may say that The Star newspaper have earned about 1-3 of the moneys coming to them under the contract, and have been paid nothing on account so far. When the bill is sent in I will see that the contract is carried out to the letter."

The city has ample security in its hands at present to guard its interests.

Temperance Legislation.

The Legislation Committee recommended that the city become a party by the affixing of the signatures of the Mayor and City Clerk to a requisition to the Legislature asking as follows:

1. That notwithstanding the restrictive legislation at present in operation, intemperance with its attendant evils still exists in our province to a deplorable extent, is a constant source of misery, pauperism and crime and a persistent hindrance and menace to the moral and material well-being of our people.

2. That your petitioners, while believing that the only right and effective legislative method of dealing with this evil is by total prohibition, cordially endorse and commend all wise and effective legislation by which the evil results of the liquor traffic may be curtailed.

3. That it is only reasonable and right that the liquor traffic should be further limited than it is at present, in those localities in which a majority of the electorate desire to secure such further limitation. Your petitioners, therefore, pray your honorable body to make such changes in the liquor legislation of the Province of Ontario as will

(a) Provide that no license shall be issued to take effect in a polling sub-division in which a majority of the municipal electors petition against the granting of such license.

(b) Give power to a majority of the municipal electors in a municipality to further limit the hours during which liquor may be sold in places in which such licenses are continued in operation.

Ald. Leslie and Lamb objected to clauses 1 and 2 on the ground that they involved a committal to the principle of prohibition, and they were struck out. The remaining sections were sent on.

The proposition to ask for legislation to enfranchise persons assessed on $200 valuation of property was amended to apply to assessments on $300 of improved property.

The clause looking to applying for legislation to compel farmers and gardeners to offer produce for sale up to 11 o'clock daily and prohibiting them from selling elsewhere before that hour, was thrown out.

Local Improvements.

Dr. Barrick submitted his views on the public improvements question to the Local Improvement Special Committee yesterday afternoon. He proposed that Council should levy a general rate for street paving, leaving it to the option of the Council as to whether pavements should be laid. He would allow ratepayers who wanted a local improvement to construct it on that plan and would allow them a rebate from the general rate during the life of their pavement. By this arrangement personality, as well as frontage would be liable to assessment. The committee decided that the matter was of too much importance to be decided upon hastily and sent back to Council the report they had referred back, leaving out the part declaring in favor of legislation. Meantime the committee will be kept alive to map out plans for future action.

What Has Hallam to Say?

The following letter to the Mayor and City Council is self-explanatory:

On behalf of the Toronto branch of the Ontario Lord's Day Alliance, I beg to enquire whether the Chrysanthemum Show, recently held in the Horticultural Pavilion, which is reported to have been opened to the public with the accompaniment of a musical entertainment on Sunday, 14th inst., was so opened by authority of the Mayor and Council of this city. I beg to point out that the holding of such a public entertainment is in itself an innovation which forms a dangerous encroachment upon the Lord's Day, that the holding of it in a building owned by and under the control of the city, renders such innovation the more objectionable, and that if, in addition it has been held by authority of the Council or any committee thereof, the occurrence is one of very serious moment. A. E. O'Meara, secretary.

Western Cattle Market.

His Worship Mayor Shaw and Ald. Lamb both deny any knowledge of the rumored removal of the Western Cattle Market to the Dundas-street bridges. Ald. Lamb says that the city is not inclined to render its property valueless. The consensus of opinion among cattle drovers is that some land boomer is at work.

Tax Exemptions.

A petition was presented to the Mayor for signature yesterday, the subscribers of which pledge themselves to join and organize a Citizens' Committee, whose objects shall be to discuss and have submitted to the people the following questions:

1. Are you in favor of the principle of assessing each person according to his or her actual worth in real and personal property?

2. Are you in favor of the principle of abolishing all exemptions?

The Mayor signed and his name accompanies those of Messrs. Alex. Manning, S. H. Janes and a hundred other prominent citizens, including Ald. Scott, R. H. Graham, Hallam and Saunders.

City Engineer Keating has reported that the city will require 16,000 to 18,000 horse-power of electric energy. He reports also against an electric plant to pump city water.

GOD IN HISTORY.

Eloquent and Instructive Discourse by Rabbi Lazarus Last Evening.

The special Friday evening's services were continued last evening at the Holy Blossom Synagogue. New hymns and anthems were sung and great praise is due to the excellent rendition by the voluntary choir, the soloists being Rev. Mr. Solomon and Mrs. Strauss Youngheart.

Rabbi Lazarus in preaching the sermon on "God in History," said that the whole prophecy of Obadiah is remarkable, being addressed to a foreign people and dealing exclusively with their approaching destruction, proving that the Prophets did not devote all their attentions to their own people. Nor can there be the least doubt that in its broad outlines the teachings addressed to Israel as a nation have the same intrinsic value and binding force for all other people whatsoever. If, in the course of its onward march through centuries, a nation has allowed itself to sink too low in the moral scale, then that nation also comes in for a share in the Prophets' censure and denunciation.

A nation's strength is not to be found in big battalions, not in strong fortresses or gigantic navies, but in adherence to a moral code, in righteous and upright men and women. Look back into the pages of history. Egypt, with all its greatness and splendor; Greece, with its beauty, and learning; Rome, with its Emperors and mighty armies; Spain, with its navies and wealth—when once they departed from the true principles of justice, God's punishment crashed down upon them like an avalanche, and they went down to destruction and everlasting disgrace. The respective history of all the nations of antiquity wears the same aspect."

In eloquent words the Rabbi exhorted his hearers to remember that each and every one of them was part of this great nation, to grasp the idea that as the smallest grain of sand helps to make the mountain, so they helped to constitute the nation. Let each adopt the highest possible standard of morality in business; let each be public spirited, able to use above sordid consideration of personal interest in every matter that comes up for discussion, and keep a soul that is uncontaminated by worldliness.

PRETTY WEDDING AT STRATFORD.

Miss Erina G. Miller Becomes the Bride of Mr. Daniel Kilpatrick of Brampton.

Stratford, Nov. 26.—(Special.)—A very pretty wedding took place here on Thanksgiving Day, the contracting parties being Miss Edna G. Miller of this place, and Mr. Daniel Kilpatrick of Brampton. The marriage took place at the house of the bride's mother, and some 60 guests partook of the Thanksgiving repast that had been prepared for the occasion. The bride is one of Stratford's fairest belles, and is very popular in the town. The presents were numerous and handsome. Mr. R. J. Kilpatrick of Toronto, a brother of the groom, acted as best man.

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Their Church Parade.

The annual church parade of the entire city members of the C.M.B.A. will take place at St. Patrick's Church, on William-street, to-morrow evening at 7.30 o'clock. The members of the different branches will meet at the hall on McCaul-street and proceed to the church in a body. Grand musical vespers will be sung, under the direction of Prof. Dinelli. The sermon will be preached by the Very Rev. Dean McCann, and a collection will be taken in aid of the Sunnyside Orphanage.

A Good Thanksgiving Deed.

St. Louis, Nov. 26.—It is announced to-day that as a thanksgiving present, George Gould of the Missouri Pacific system has advanced salaries along the line 10 per cent. The advance, which will date back from Nov. 1, affects 15,000 employes, and will result in an additional expenditure of $900,000 a year.

Robbery at Streetsville.

Streetsville, Nov. 26.—The general store of G. H. Falconer was robbed of about $300 worth of dry goods, boots and shoes, groceries and tobacco at an early hour this morning. The thieves must have had a horse and wagon. They cut a panel and pulled back the bolt of the rear door. The Toronto police have been notified.

Mrs. Smart Left $400,000.

The will of the late Mrs. David Smart has been entered for probate. The estate approximates $400,000, and is left to the three children in equal proportions. The executors are E. M. Chadwick and W. H. Beatty.

Lakeside's Last Trip.

The SS. Lakeside will leave Milloy's Wharf to-day at 2 p.m. This is the last trip of the season, and she will, as usual, carry passengers and freight. The Lakeside will go into winter quarters after this trip.

A Treat.

Hon. J. G. Woolsey, the well-known orator, will speak at the meeting of the Canadian Temperance League in the Pavilion to-morrow afternoon. You will miss a treat if you do not hear him.

The annual conversazione of the Ontario Medical College for Women will be held in the Education Department, St. James' Square, on Wednesday evening, Dec. 1. On the following day the Governor-General and the Countess of Aberdeen will visit the college on Sumach-street, and be tendered a reception.

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McLeod, 6 stops	25
Bell & Co., 6 stops	30
Prince, 6 stops	30
Thomas, 8 stops	35
Bell, 9 stops	35
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Karn, 7 stops	35
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Cheese Markets.

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The four rooms in Huron-street school that have been closed for some time past will be reopened Monday morning.

The members of the Canadian Institute will hold their usual open meeting at the library, 58 Richmond-street, this evening at 8 o'clock. A paper on "The Michipicoten Gold Fields" will be read by Professor A. B. Willmott. The public are invited to be present.