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A SENSATIONAL STORY

In Which a Former Well-Known Citizen Figures.

A Stranger in Toronto Claims to Have Been Drugged and Robbed in a King Street Hotel.

The Toronto Empire has the following in Monday's edition:

About 4 o'clock on Saturday afternoon pedestrians on King street west were startled to see a young man, respectfully attired, rush out of Rosenbaum's auction rooms, 140 King street, shouting 'Police! Police!' at the top of his voice. He seemed dazed and could give no satisfactory account of himself. He began telling the policeman who approached him that he had been drugged, robbed and assaulted. At the police station he was put through a severe course of questioning by the detectives. His story, while not lucid, by any means, warranted the chief of the detectives in detailing two officers to investigate. An Empire reporter interviewed Mr. Johnston, 308 King street west, last evening and obtained his story as follows:

"My name is Oliver Johnston. I am an hotel clerk, and came to Toronto last Sunday from Macon, Ga., to spend a month's holiday. On Monday I was sitting in the Palmer House when I was introduced to Mr. Carlock, the piano player. We played a game of pool for amusement. During the game he introduced me to Mr. Cheesworth, a tailor, whom I thought a very nice gentleman. On Saturday morning I met Mr. Cheesworth, and he introduced me to a man named Kirchner, who was at that time, I believe, the manager of the Academy of Music, and to another man named Archie Corrigan, a Montreal traveler. We had a few drinks at the Walker House and then visited a house on Wellington street, where we remained only a few minutes, and then went up to King street again. Kirchner proposed that we should go over to Cheesworth's rooms and have a cold lunch. This was about 2 o'clock, and at that time I was perfectly sober and in possession of all my senses. I had had no lunch, and feeling hungry, I agreed to go with the party. We entered the Metropole Hotel, and after going up a couple of flights of stairs, I was shown into a large room, in which there was a table and a number of chairs. Some one said they would send for the lunch, and in the meantime we might amuse ourselves playing cards. I did not play for money—never did in my life. We went on playing poker for fun, however, and then some one of the party proposed that we should have a drink. I took a drink of what appeared to be whiskey that was handed to me, and in a moment I lost consciousness. When I came to I found I had a \$200 bill, a \$50 bill, a \$20 bill, and two \$5 bills, a gold-diamond cane and a diamond ring worth \$75. When I came to I found that I had been drugged and robbed of \$170 of my money, my ring and the cane. Look at my hand where they tore off the flesh in securing the ring! Now, that is all I know about the affair. I informed the detectives, and I understand they are trying to get my property back again for me.

The young man who recounted this tale is probably six feet in height, well dressed, with a decidedly effeminate voice, dark hair and mustache and a carriage that would indicate foppishness. It was learned at the different houses where he had been drinking that he had been flashing a \$100 bill at the bartenders on Saturday morning. It is said that Mr. Kirchner's story differs from that of Johnston's. Kirchner claims that there were no drinks going while he was in the room, and that he and Corrigan left together, leaving Cheesworth and Johnston playing cards. Corrigan says that he left the room alone, and that when he left Kirchner, Cheesworth and Johnston were all there. Cheesworth has been laid by Johnston against all the men who were in the room with him before he drank the whiskey. The outcome of the police investigation will be watched with much interest, as the men concerned are all reputable citizens.

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The Street Railway Subject Once More Dissected.

And the London Street Railway Company's Offer Thrown Out.

Mayor Essery's Charges Against the Old Company

Emphatically Denied and Stigmatized as Untrue.

Watson's Box Factory to Have Five Years' Exemption Conditionally—Clause Relating to Cinder Bicycle Track Referred Back—The Mayor Denies That the Council Held Secret Meetings, and Abuse the Newspapers.

The London Street Railway Company's offer was thrown out by the council last night by a large majority. Mayor Essery and Ald. Parnell wanted to take the question with them to the hustings next January, but the balance of the council decided otherwise. There was much breath spent by some of the members, and the council adjourned to take up Col. Clark's offer in the near future. Ald. Monte was the only member absent, and representatives of both companies were present.

Clause 8 of No. 1 committee's report brought up the street railway question again.

Ald. Parnell went over the result of Friday night's session.

Ald. Scarrow moved that the clause be referred back.

Ald. Thomas Jones moved in amendment that it be laid over until the street railway question was brought up.

Ald. Stevely urged action. "Bring things to a focus," he said, "and get done with it. I do not like to see this matter coming up and being referred back time after time, leaving us in the same position as when we started. Is it wise for us to put it off? Are we going to gain anything by it? No, why all right; send it back."

After talking at length about the offer and the company's refusal to give a percentage, Mr. Stevely said: "I would like to put Mr. Everett through a little course of reasoning."

The Mayor—How would it be if you were to be a committee to wait on him?

Mr. Stevely declined.

Ald. Parnell expressed himself as willing to lay the clause over until street railway matters were brought up, providing it were taken up to-night. This was agreed to.

On the council going into committee of the whole the street railway question was brought up and with it the consideration of clause 8 of No. 1 committee's report.

Ald. J. W. Jones moved that inasmuch as the London Street Railway Company having refused to entertain the idea of giving any percentage of receipts that no further action be taken. "I want it to be clearly understood," said Ald. J. W. Jones, "that I am not an opponent of the electric street railway. There is an old proverb that says, 'If a man wrongs me once, that's his fault; but if he wrongs me twice that's my fault.' I feel that the present charter of the London Street Railway Company has been a good thing for them and a poor thing for us. I do not propose to continue that, and there is no man who sits at this board who will not have the people at his back in supporting it. They, having nothing further to offer, drop in this proposition and begin with the next."

Ald. Stevely moved in amendment that the proposition be accepted on condition that after the lapse of twenty years the company pay 5 per cent. of the gross earnings of the road.

The mayor moved in amendment to the amendment that the proposals be referred for the street railway franchise and offers to the vote of the citizens at the next municipal election for their approval or rejection. The mayor spoke at length, and was time to call a halt, he said. They had been knocked about like shuttlecocks by a soulless corporation. The council had not been treated decently, fairly or honestly by the London Street Railway Company; and further, that company did not want to electrify the road. The board the London Street Railway Company made that they owned the town was all bosh. The city could let an electric franchise and the present company have no objection, because the only option they can rightly claim would be that of a rival horse or mule line. He wanted this Indian warfare to be stopped, also all such subterfuge and deceptions as the present company had been practicing.

Ald. Parnell favored the matter going to the people. It had been said that there was a tendency on his part to give away the franchise. This he denied.

Ald. F. J. Fitzgerald wanted the mayor to hold over his motion until a percentage clause had been tacked on. Then it could be submitted to the electors.

The mayor again arose and spoke to his amendment and challenged the company to the yearly hustings at the school houses next winter. Hamilton received \$400 a mile single track and \$800 a mile double track, and a percentage of the receipts for twenty years for franchise that did not give the company exclusive rights. The London Street Railway Company he accused of crawling down to the ridges in order to keep out any other company that might want to come from the outskirts into the city during the 25 years.

"Has No. 1 committee made any effort to find out the worth of the franchise?" asked Ald. Coe.

A general laugh greeted this query and Ald. Parnell arose to reply.

"It's a very pertinent question," said he, "and not one to be laughed at. We made an attempt to supply you with the information last meeting night, and because we did so some of the aldermen claimed that we wanted to give the franchise away."

Ald. Coe then moved another amendment that the matter be sent back to the committee to ascertain the value of a 33-year franchise over the city streets.

Mayor Essery spoke again to his amendment.

Ald. Coe said that the mayor wanted the matter placed before the people, but where was the matter? He advocated his amendment.

On motion of Ald. Chas. Taylor, Mr. Hellmuth was asked to speak.

Mr. Hellmuth was very glad to have a chance to say a word, as it was very trying to sit quietly by while statements were made that he could only characterize as untrue. He denied that his company had used "subterfuge" or "trickery" or had attempted to "steal" the city. He simply hurled back the accusations upon their authors. He denied that the company had boasted that they had the city by the

throat and that they had tried to influence the newspapers in any way. Further, all their propositions had been placed in writing and were not verbal. The receipts in Toronto were twenty times as great as those of London, while in Hamilton even under horse cars the receipts were four or five times as large as London's. "If we cannot agree on an offer, why, then, reject it," said Mr. Hellmuth, "but in doing so do not cast any imputations. I have no intention of shouting at the hustings."

The Mayor—The statement has been made by one of your men.

Mr. Hellmuth asked for the name, but it was not forthcoming, and after a little further talk Mr. Hellmuth sat down.

Mr. Coe still wanted to know how much the franchise was worth. If the company did not want to tell them openly they could secret meetings and another would not hurt.

The Mayor—I deny that. The council has not held a private meeting this year.

The mayor repeated the assertion and indulged in an attack on both the city newspapers, from the managing editor down to the printer's devil, especially "going for" the young men at the reporters' table. The reporters are used to such outbreaks, however, and kept right on with their work while the mayor stated that the newspapers misrepresented facts in stating that there had been one secret council meeting this year. He endeavored to make it appear that the private meetings were those of the Port Stanley Board, and said they had been held privately for twenty years past.

The vote was taken. Ald. Jones' motion carried and the committee rose and reported.

Ald. Parnell moved in amendment the adoption of the mayor's previous motion, which that gentleman some days ago carried to the chair to second, to the effect that the whole matter go before the electors next January.

Ald. F. J. Fitzgerald and Coe did not want the matter sent to the people as it was. Ald. Coe believed in staying with the company for the balance of the year. By that time Mr. Hellmuth would own the road, anyway—the company would hand it over for his fees—and they could deal directly with him. (Laughter.)

Ald. Scarrow asked Mr. Johnston, Col. Clark's solicitor, whether the latter's offer could be improved or not.

"That might be a matter of opinion," Mr. Johnston said, "between Mr. Clark and the council." He wanted the matter dealt with by the present council, because it had been rumored that the street railway company were going to elect next year's council.

Ald. Coe next added one to the list of motions. It was the one swamped in committee whereby the question was to be referred to a committee until the value of the franchise be ascertained.

The voting then began. Ald. Parnell's motion sending the matter to the electors was lost, he and the mayor alone voting "aye."

Ald. Coe's amendment was also lost, while the report of the committee of the whole, or in other words Ald. J. W. Jones' motion, carried on the following division:

Yeas—Heaman, Connor, Coe, J. W. Jones, Thomas Jones, Stevely, Scarrow, Dreaney, Welford, Parnell, Stevely, Fitzgibbon, Carrothers, Jas. Fitzgerald, Garratt, F. J. Fitzgerald, Mayor Essery.

The question of water was then taken up. Ald. Parnell moved that no action be taken in this connection. Carried.

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to the Echo for the sum of 5 cents a line. That the petition of J. Moray be filed. No. 7.

Your committee begs to submit the Police Court clerk's report for July and the auditors' report for June quarter. 8. Your committee begs to report: (a) That the London Street Railway Company positively decline allowing the city any percentages on the company's receipts; (b) the company decline Colborne street extension; (c) will run along Adelaide street to Oxford street; if arrangements can be made with the C. P. R. for the change of crossing on Fall Mall; (d) on Fall Mall street, Waterloo to Richmond street; (e) will remove the track on Horton street to some other parallel street in the same ward to be agreed upon; (f) will change Trafalgar street track to some other street in the same ward to be agreed upon; (g) the company has no objection to the Mayboro Place extension. 9. Your committee begs to report progress on the following petitions, viz: F. Harding, Stevens & Burns, C. Lilley, J. Dunn, E. H. Johnston, Meredith, Cameron & Judd and Thomas Morikin.

The clerk classes of the report were then adopted.

BOARD OF HEALTH.

As submitted by Ald. Heaman, chairman. It recommended: 1. That no river gravel be used on the streets except taken from portions of the river approved by the medical health officer. 2. Your board begs to refer back the communication of C. Talbot et al. re oil tanks and tar pits left open on Walker street.

Clause 1 was struck out and clause 2 referred to the city engineer. The report as amended was adopted.

THE WATSON FACTORY.

Mr. John Watson's application for tax exemption and free water for ten years was taken up.

Ald. Connor moved that the tax exemption be allowed on condition that Mr. Watson employ 40 hands.

Ald. Stevely seconded.

Ald. Carrothers moved in amendment that a fixed assessment of \$8,000 be given for ten years on condition that Mr. Watson employ 40 "men," not "hands." Mr. Watson's usual assessment is for \$11,100.

Ald. Parnell seconded, and stated that Mr. Watson's pay sheet amounted to \$200 weekly.

Ald. J. W. Jones moved in further amendment that Mr. Watson be allowed exemption for five years, provided that he employed 25 hands, none under 16 years of age.

Ald. Thomas Jones seconded.

Ald. J. W. Jones amendment was lost on an even vote of 8 to 8.

Ald. Scarrow, seconded by Ald. Welford, then moved that Mr. Watson be only allowed five years' exemption, providing he employ 40 hands.

This amendment carried on the following division:

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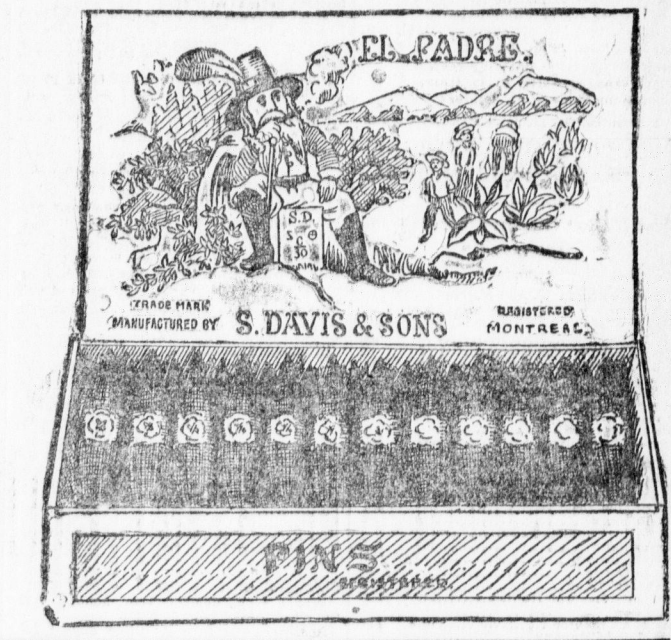
ways of traffic by the way of Suez and the Cape of Good Hope. The recent maneuvers of English squadrons in pursuance of an experiment devised by the Admiralty have resulted in a practical demonstration of the feasibility of invasion. Let not, then, Canadians suppose that they could now hope for the same immunity from French aggression that their forefathers enjoyed during the wars against Napoleon. They would learn with disgust and indignation that they, who have looked upon the British connection as a means of getting something for nothing, would have to share the brunt of a quarrel with which they had nothing to do.

We have said that the Siamese imbroglio is ended, and that is true, so far as the immediate controversy with Siam is concerned. The boundary, however, of the French territory along the upper course of the Mekong River is not yet settled, nor can it be without accommodation to the claims of China and England in that quarter. Moreover, there is reason to believe that, at the time when Lord Rosebery tendered the hand of the French Government by tendering the alternative of war, certain assurances were obtained from Germany which will impose reciprocal obligations

hereafter upon Great Britain. There are avers which nations, like individuals, cannot with honor accept, without recognizing the duty of rendering an equivalent. That is why Prof. Goldwin Smith maintains that the war cloud which but lately hung over the British Empire is not dissipated, though it has lifted. In his view it still lowers dark and ominous, and, to all appearances, England is being drawn more deeply into European entanglement, which, as the military tension is becoming intolerable, can hardly fail in the end to bring about a convulsion in Europe. When an outbreak comes, the Canadians may discover that the connection with Great Britain is not altogether the one-sided bargain which Tories amount to when subjected to the test of hardships and sacrifices.

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