

MANY CANDIDATES WERE HEARD AT MEETING OF ELECTORS IN EAST END

Ald. Stevely Refers to His Record in the Council—Ex-Ald. Judd Makes Wholesale Denials of Arguments Being Used Against Him—Various Matters Discussed.

The meeting in the east end hall last night was but poorly attended, and at no time was there over a hundred people in the building. Whether it is that the people are not interested in the campaign, or whether they are too intent on Christmas joys as yet to take up the burden of municipal problems, the fact remains that if the east end meeting is any criterion, the citizens are not particularly interested in anything which may happen on Monday next.

All the speakers were given a good hearing, and the applause was distributed fairly, though at all times perfunctorily. The chief speakers were Ald. Stevely and ex-Ald. Judd, for the mayor, Mr. J. R. Minihinnick and Mr. W. E. Saunders, for the water commission, Chairman Darch, on behalf of the new main; and Mr. T. B. Scott, for the proposed license reduction.

Ald. Stevely answered at length the charges made against him as a public man, and also the charge that he had been unfair to the McClary strikers, reading a letter from the Molders' Union which completely shattered the story.

The Arguments.

Mr. Judd attempted to refute the arguments against him because of his connection with corporations.

Mr. Minihinnick rather spoke against the new main, proposing to spend so large an amount of money as that asked from the citizens, though he will carry out the will of the people if the bylaw carries and he is elected. Mr. Saunders favored the second main, and Mr. Darch explained the entire problem at length.

Mr. Scott's speech was an argument for license reduction.

Mr. Charles Burdick, after many futile attempts to find a candidate, had been made, agreed to preside over the meeting. At his suggestion, the majority candidates were allowed twenty minutes to speak, and all the others ten minutes each. The result was that several overran the allotted time, and about 11 o'clock the people, with the exception of about forty, had left the hall. Thus several of the aldermen and school trustees, as well as Col. Colby, who was to talk for the liquor men, had the choice of going home or of talking to empty benches. Several of the candidates stuck to their guns, however, and the meeting broke up about midnight, with scarcely anyone present.

Ald. Stevely's Address.

Ald. Stevely was given a good reception. In opening, he said he asked the people to vote for him after an apprenticeship of six years. In the council, as an alderman, if he had proven satisfactory, he asked for support. He alluded at length to the many works carried out by the council. He had put through a motion in the council that the municipal act be so amended that on streets where the people cannot agree, the council, by a three-fourths vote, shall say what class of pavement shall be laid, so that in future the progress of the city may not be hindered.

He referred to the important business to come up next year, and instanced the case of the G. T. R. He is in favor of overhead tracks for the city. He never has been under a compulsion to the G. T. R., and if elected he will see that no citizen's property is injured by the company without that citizen receiving redress. As to the new water main, he declared that he would see that no citizen's property is injured by the company without that citizen receiving redress. As to the new water main, he declared that he would see that no citizen's property is injured by the company without that citizen receiving redress. As to the new water main, he declared that he would see that no citizen's property is injured by the company without that citizen receiving redress.

The Expenditures.

He thought, however, that all would agree that the breakwater expenditures had been left in capable hands, when they were left to Ald. Forristal and the other members of No. 2 committee. (Applause.) He next took up the statement that this year's council had more money to spend than the council of 1904, and he showed that the council of 1905 had really had less to spend than the council of 1904. Of the issue of \$2,000 debentures for the waterworks, he showed that the Government had carried out the wishes of the council, by issuing the debentures, something the Government would not have done had the act been wrong. And he showed that ex-Mayor Beck on two occasions—once when Mr. Judd was the civic financier—did the same thing as this year's council, and issued similar debentures for the waterworks. The people laughed when Ald. Stevely read the charge made against him that he had kept back the auditors' report. In a few words he showed that the report is never issued until February of each year.

Ald. Stevely then read from ex-Mayor Beck's speech, made at the MacRobert banquet, on Dec. 29, 1904, as follows:

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ter up and had the center arch removed? This would mean as much to the people of West London as the building of the breakwater. He censured Ald. Stevely for allowing the company to run double tracks through a portion of the city without making the Grand Trunk remove this arch. If the people of London will trust him they will never have cause to regret it. (Cheers.)

Some Hot Shot.

Ald. Stevely, in reply, said Mr. Judd did try to stifle electrical competition in London, because he asked the Sifton Company to do in three days what the London Electric had had many years to do. (Cheers.) Mr. Judd states that he is not the Grand Trunk solicitor, but nevertheless, Mr. Judd told him (Ald. Stevely), some time ago that he did not see why the Grand Trunk should have a certain lawyer to London to do certain work, because his (Mr. Judd's) firm had been the G. T. R.'s lawyers in London for many years. (Cheers.)

Of the statement that the expenditures this year have been great, Mr. Stevely retorted that it took \$10,000 of this year's taxes to pay the overdraft left by Mr. Judd and Mr. Beck last year.

Mr. Judd then asked Mr. Stevely in regard to the pavement motion, which he had put through the council, ex-Mayor Beck had congratulated him upon it, and said it was the proper thing. But Mr. Judd saw it to condemn it. He denied emphatically that the connection whatever with the Warren Company or any other corporation.

"Sam Stevely is fighting this fight alone," he said, while the crowd cheered. "If there's any credit attached to it, I deserve it. If any discredit, then I'm to blame. I did not vote the motion to lay a Warren pavement on Richmond street. I was in the mayor's chair at the time. Mr. Judd says he is not the solicitor for the Barber Paving Company, but at an investigation in which Mr. Judd was seeking to upset a Warren contract, the people who brought the suit swore that the Barber Company had agreed to pay the costs of the case, which included Mr. Judd's fees." (Cheers.)

Mr. Minihinnick.

Mr. John R. Minihinnick, a candidate for the water commission, was next heard. He had been a member of the commission of 1875-76-77, so that he is no novice. He said to him, "There were cranks then as now," he said, after which he went into a history of the waterworks. If the water is there for what we require, and he believes it is, we need another main. But if the extra water is not there, then he would go slow. It is time enough to vote for another main when we make sure we need it. Of the present main, he said, there is not much chance of it breaking. The life of a main is between 50 and 60 years, and this one has only been down 25 years. He would prove that the water needed is there before he would favor a new main. He said that a number of persons in London are getting water for less than it costs to pump it, and if elected he does not propose to allow this to go on. He would not let the people who are getting water for less than it costs to pump it, and if elected he does not propose to allow this to go on.

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while the new main is probably the solution of the water pressure problem, yet he felt that the question of first prominence just now is, is there a sufficiency of water down the river? As one who had often tramped around the district, he said that he believes there are millions of gallons of water going to waste around Kilmory. There is no argument in regard to spring water or river water. The people want spring water. He pointed out that an increase in the water pressure will result in the business insurance key rate being reduced. He said the G. T. R. pays only about 5 cents per 1,000 gallons, the merchant 10 cents, and the household 15 cents. This he doesn't think is fair. All the people are shareholders in the waterworks, and all should be treated alike. He promised if elected, to keep the water as pure, and if possible, purer than it is now.

"If you want a pure-water crank," said Mr. Saunders, "I ask you to elect me."

Mr. Minihinnick again took the platform, and told of an interview he had with Mr. T. S. Hobbs, who had offered between \$50,000 and 1,000,000 gallons of water off his farm to the city free. Another point he had forgotten to speak of was the fact that when considering of the water works, it should be remembered that iron is so dear at present that it is inadvisable to buy another main just now.

The Aldermen.

The aldermen were as mad as hornets by this time, when they finally got a hearing.

Mr. C. G. Moorhead was well received, and a voice shouted, "What's the score, Charlie?" He made a straightforward speech, in which he asked for the support of all classes of citizens. He is a Londoner, born in London, and without a black mark against him. If elected he will endeavor to discharge his duties faithfully.

Ald. Matthews made a speech, in which he took credit to himself for the improvements to the market house.

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Chairman Darch.

Chairman Darch, of the water commission, appeared on the platform to explain the new main proposal. It is a recognized fact that we require more water, and we must now consider the best way to get it for fire-fighting purposes. In this connection, it has been felt that a new main will afford the required results, with the object of land securing more water.

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