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Hindustan Publication Appears in Vancouver to Preach Political and Social Freedom.

VANCOUVER, April 2.—(Special.)—The initial number of a free Hindustan publication, under the auspices of the local Hindus, has appeared. Its avowed object is to preach the doctrine of political, social and religious freedom.

The leading editorial, "Our National Life at Stake," begins in the following manner: "To-day our national life is at stake; British government in India has already adopted the most repressive measures to crush our national aspirations, and a new measure is going to be adopted which will lead our national life to stagnation. We are slaves in our country and have no voice in the government of our country. Far from having any representation of our own, we are treated worse than the cats and dogs of Englishmen in British colonies."

The editorial closes as follows: "We ask authorities of British government to use discretion about our interests. Really the foundation of the British empire is undermined on the very day when a legislative body unjustly supports measures owing to which natives of Hindustan cannot go freely to other parts of the empire. We fear another act of injustice may bring near an upheaval which will rend the Indian empire."

BAD DAY FOR BILLS

Legislature's Municipal Committee in a Critical Mood.

Several bills went down before the municipal committee of the legislature yesterday.

Mr. Bradburn withdrew his bill to give aldermen a two-year term.

Mr. Ferguson's bill to compel leaseholders voting on money bylaws to file declarations of their leases was thrown out.

Mr. Bowyer's bill was thrown out, but as a concession the committee will recommend that a council be allowed to spend \$300 instead of \$400 on a drain without calling in an engineer.

J. P. Downey's bill to prevent municipalities granting bonuses was killed. The committee approved the bill to allow Hamilton to have a board of control of four members.

The committee adopted T. H. Preston's bill to compel assessors of every municipality to provide the clerk with a record of every male child between the ages of 8 and 14 years, the name of parent or guardian and whether the parent is a separate or a public school supporter. Mr. Chisholm, Toronto's city solicitor, strongly opposed the bill.

WILL BE MOVED

Avenue-Road Residents to Be Relieved of Cause of Annoyance.

Complaint has been made by adjacent residents of the Boys' Home, recently opened on Avenue-road under the department for neglected children.

As soon as the matter was brought to Hon. Mr. Hanna's attention he decided to move the institution to another locality, and this will be done as soon as the property can be disposed of.

DROWNED AT PETERBORO

Russell Newbury Lost Life in Otonabee River.

PETERBORO, April 2.—(Special.)—Russell Newbury, the six-year-old son of Geo. Newbury, was drowned in the Otonabee River at No. 5 dam this afternoon.

HAMILTON Happenings

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THREE HOUSES BURNED BY INCENDIARY FIRE

Ben Cooley Arrested for Begging With a Blistered Arm—General City News.

HAMILTON, April 2.—(Special.)—That he burned his hand with acid so as to give it the appearance of having an ugly wound is the accusation the police make against Ben Cooley, who struck the city about a week ago. He was run in to-night by Acting Detectives Sayre and Robinson on a charge of vagrancy. The police claim that he has been soliciting money on the strength of his fake wound.

William Henderson, brother of Mrs. W. H. Mills, died to-day at St. Joseph's Hospital. The remains will be forwarded to St. Catharines.

Fire completely destroyed two houses on Cannon-street, Crown Point, this evening and burned the roof off the third. There is a suspicion that the houses were set on fire. The fire made its appearance in Percy Bolster's house, the family being absent, and spread to another house belonging to them and occupied by J. Dyer. These places were burned almost to the ground, and nearly all the furniture, and the same spread to the home of P. W. Weir, which was also badly damaged. There were several houses in a row and with the gale blowing it was feared that they would all be destroyed, but the fire was confined to the three houses by the heroic efforts of the citizens aided by a couple of companies from the city fire department.

The internal management committee of the board of education discovered this evening that they had a small sized strike on their hands. The teachers are not qualified to teach the children in the annual training classes, the art of basket weaving, which is on the manual training curriculum, and the manual training teachers refuse to instruct the teachers in the art. The inspectors were told to investigate and act. The residents of the east end petition to have additions made to the Barton-street school. An indoor rifle range will be installed for the collegiate cadets.

Lily King was taken to the cells to-night on the charge of obtaining \$19 by fraud.

Treasurer's Statement. The treasurer's statement showing how much money the city officials drew last year was issued to-day. It shows that some of the officials drew perquisites in the way of secretarial salaries and for other work. Some of the foremen were also paid at various rates, drawing from \$16 to \$27 a week. The matter will be investigated by the council.

Harry Lewis, the teller missing from the Beamsville branch of the Bank of Hamilton, is a son of Wm. Lewis, 125 Queen-street. Nothing has been heard of him since last Saturday. His accounts are straight.

The funeral of the late Robert S. Ambrose was held this afternoon and was private.

The Beach commissioners have been advised that the government bill wiping out licenses in Hamilton Township will not affect the Beach, where there are three licenses, which will be under the control of the Beach commissioners.

Stewart & Wilton are building four three-story store and apartment buildings on the corner of King-street, between Jarvis and Wellington-streets.

Custody of a Child. John Pitts has succeeded in getting an injunction restraining his sister-in-law, Mrs. Pajules, from taking charge of his child until the dispute is settled in the courts.

Mrs. C. E. Linton, 47 Robinson-st., had her purse snatched from her as she came to the corner of Hunter and Macnab-sts. last night.

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Adown the flood of years. It sometimes seems that friends are few. Tho' many smile, but few remain. That of them all one may be true. That many and pangs of pain that may be true.

It sometimes seems that love of gold has gripped all men within its hold; That man has grown a venal man. Than when the lawn of love began. In that far-distant day.

And yet, 'tis true, however it seem. Of joy and sorrow man is king; That man is lord of fleeting dream, And man or breaks the magic ring That circles him—

And still 'tis true that one can find. Hints that are none and fond and free. That earth is such as God designed, That God is kind to you and me, However it seem. —Floyd D. Raze.

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Resolution of Parks Committee Asks Controllers to Choose Successor to Mr. Chambers.

"In view of the fact that the spring is now on and so much spring work on hand, and some of our most important parks now only in charge of temporary caretakers, this committee deem it advisable and in the best interest of the city that a park commissioner be appointed at the earliest possible date, in order that the working of the parks may as soon as possible be established on a permanent basis."

The foregoing resolution was unanimously passed at a meeting of the civic parks and exhibition committee yesterday afternoon on the motion of Ald. Vaughan. It will be forwarded to the board of control as a gentle intimation that the aldermen are losing patience over the delay.

Ald. Bengough, who was seconder, declared that the new commissioner must be a "good, big, large barreled man," which estimate of the qualifications needed was approved by the committee.

Commissioner Harris reported that Robert Carlton, superintendent of Queen's Park, was in charge of the park, but recommended that his services be continued temporarily at \$13.50 per week. The committee, however, thought Mr. Carlton, who is 74 years old and has served the city for 40 years, should be at once retired on an allowance, and some responsible person should be put in charge of the park. Mr. Harris will report on the amount of superannuation allowance to be granted.

The sub-committee appointed to report on a system of playgrounds thruout the city reported that, owing to present unsettled conditions in the department, it had been unable to present to let matters stand. A new committee, of Ald. Vaughan, Bengough and R. H. Graham, was named to make the usual "comprehensive" report.

The modified plans for a parkhouse in Allan Gardens were passed. The proposal is to build only the central portion, leaving the two wings constructed later, should council so will it. Whereas, the complete plan would cost \$75,000 to carry out, the revised one only carries out the cost of \$30,000, and as there is about \$26,000 insurance fund on hand from the old pavilion, an actual expenditure of about \$4000 will alone be necessary.

Ald. Foster's conviction was that the proper place for the newly-owned pair of buffaloes was the Riverdale park. Ald. Adams was equally positive that they could only thrive in High Park. The chairman, to break the deadlock, proposed that a sub-committee should report on a suitable location, which was carried.

E. H. Duggan, clerk of the 19th division court, must vacate his quarters in the city hall.

At the meeting of the civic property committee yesterday afternoon Commissioner Harris reported, said he Duggan, who occupies offices in the west corridor of the basement floor, had declined to sign a lease for the new quarters into which it was proposed to remove him in carrying out the plan of readjustment of offices. The committee thereupon inquired whether Duggan must leave the city hall, and if so, the proposal of Mr. Harris that the board of control should be asked to inquire into the estimates of a brick pavement at the entrance to the driveways at Harbor-square was concurred in. The cost is estimated at \$675.40.

Parks Enquiry Report. Judge Winchester says he will have his report on the parks investigation ready for the council meeting of Monday, April 13. It will be placed in the hands of the mayor on the morning of the meeting.

Controller Hocken, when asked whether the resolution would hasten the nominating of a commissioner, said he didn't think it would have any effect, as the board was unlikely to make any decision before the end of next week. Asked whether the resolution were any nearer an agreement, he replied: "All I can say is that a process of elimination is being followed, and among the many applicants there are several who have a chance."

The controller says he will seek to have the question of a park commission submitted to the people at the next municipal elections.

Would End Secrecy. Ald. R. H. Graham is outspoken in his condemnation of the board of control's perchance for private meetings. "This practice has got to stop," he declared yesterday. "These meetings must be open to the press, and if this is not done soon, we are going to pass a resolution in council to compel them to do so. They have been holding private conferences with the railway and other companies and this must come to an end, except in dealing with some declared emergency."

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