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SHOULD CLEAN THE BASIN

Citizen Thinks People Should Have Perfectly Pure Water

THAT FISHING PARTY

A citizen who is interested in Chatham, and who, as a result, always keeps an eye on what is doing in municipal circles, gave The Planet a suggestion last evening, which is really a good one, and which should be brought to the attention of the City Council, or the Water Commissioners.

"They tell me," said he, "that there are a lot of fish in the sedimentation basin, and that the Mayor is considering a municipal fishing party to get them out. Now, in my opinion, the fish should be taken out of there, but the question is, how will they be taken out?"

"When that basin was first constructed, there was provision made for emptying it out and cleaning it. If I remember correctly, it has never been emptied or cleaned since it was first used. This, I think, is a mistake. It should be thoroughly cleaned at stated intervals. The authorities cannot be too careful in providing perfectly pure water for the people to drink."

"In my opinion, the Engineer should get three or four men at work for a couple of days giving it a thorough cleaning out, and then fill it up again with fresh, pure water."

"We can see now that a big mistake was made in the construction of this sedimentation basin. It should have been made with two distinct reservoirs, so that one could be filled while the other was being cleaned. In this way there would be no inconvenience or danger when the cleaning operations are on. As it is now, it will have to be cleaned at once."

"At any rate, the work should be done just as soon as possible, so that citizens will be assured of pure water."

HE BROKE THE RECORD

Local Horseman Gives A Policeman A Thrilling Ride

IT WAS A SPECIAL CASE

Dr. Perdue is possibly one of Chatham's most expert horsemen. He knows a good horse when he sees it, and whenever he wants to see one, all he has to do is to go to his own stables. There is rather a good joke going the rounds on the doctor—a joke which he himself possibly enjoyed the most of any one.

Policeman Tom Groves was out on a case. It was very important that he should get to the G. T. R. depot just as soon as possible. He rushed out of the police station prepared to hold up the first horse he could find. As he stepped out on the sidewalk, whom should he see coming along but Dr. Perdue. Doc was exercising one of his thoroughbreds, and was keeping strictly within the law as far as speed was concerned. It was the law which compelled him to drive slowly, not his own personal desire.

"Hey, there!" yelled Mr. Groves. Doc knew he had not been breaking the law, so he had no hesitation in stopping.

Mr. Groves explained that he wanted to be driven to the G. T. R. depot. "And I will give you no speed limit—loosen out your reins," he added, "the faster you go the better."

Mr. Groves had the fastest ride he ever had in a buggy. When the blooded animal struck the Queen St. pavement it was off for a finish. The speed was a surprise even to the owner.

Mr. Groves got to the station in time and the horse earned its rub-down. It is said that Doc always goes past the police station now when he is out driving, in the hope that another policeman will be sent out on a hurry-up job.

Government Will Seek Relief For Farmers

Hon. Mr. Foy Says Legislature Will Assist Farmers In Fight Against Canada Land Company—Full Investigation—McCoig Satisfied

Toronto, April 4.—The belligerent attitude which the Government has assumed towards any interference by Dominion legislation with Provincial Rights was further demonstrated at the Legislature yesterday in the ready approval of Mr. Hanna's amendment to the bill of Mr. P. H. Bowyer (East Kent) to amend the Liquor License Act.

Mr. Bowyer's bill prohibits, under penalty, the supplying of intoxicating liquor to any one under 21 years of age except by parent, guardian or physician.

His other clause seeks to put a stop to clubs going to Ottawa for incorporation to escape jurisdiction of provincial license regulations.

"They go to Ottawa to escape the Railway Act, they go to Ottawa to get Sunday cars, now they go to get club licenses and if they keep on they'll go to Ottawa on the ditches and watercourses or municipal acts," declared Mr. Bowyer, and the House applauded.

Hon. Mr. Hanna concurred. It was proposed to insert Mr. Bowyer's amendments in the general act. "Within three miles of this House," observed the Provincial Secretary, "a hunt club secured incorporation at Ottawa as an organization of national importance in order that it might have the privilege of dispensing liquor."

Clubs Obtain Charters.

Hon. Mr. Graham, the Liberal leader, also endorsed the principles of Mr. Bowyer's bill. It was a step in the right direction, he said.

Charters or acts of incorporation for hunting clubs against the sale of liquor. At least one club—a hunt club of Toronto—has gone to Ottawa for a charter. Charters granted at Ottawa contain no prohibitory clause. Under the Ontario License Act license commissioners shall grant licenses to clubs whose charters do not expressly forbid the sale of liquor. Mr. Bowyer's bill makes it necessary for the license board before granting such a license to obtain the consent of the Provincial Secretary in writing, or really makes idle and of no avail for the purpose of license-getting, a Dominion clause.

Mr. Bowyer withdrew his bill on Hon. Mr. Hanna's assurance that the object would be dealt with in the Government amendments to the License Act to be brought down at a later date.

Sales of Land Bill.

Mr. McCoig (West Kent) moved the second reading of his bill respecting sales of land by the Canada Co. Mr. Matthew Wilson, K. O., was present at the Legislature in the interests of the Canada Co.

Mr. Auld (South Essex) spoke vigorously in support of the measure. He declared the Canada Co. had "bled the people almost white." Although there was nothing in their charter entitling them to do so, as soon as oil was discovered they reserve the mineral rights and sought to bleed the people further.

Hon. Mr. Foy said the measure, in his opinion, should have been presented as a private bill. In its present form the Legislature had no power to deal with the matter. The Attorney-General stated that the Government believed to be a real grievance—considerable attention and was suggested to Mr. McCoig the withdrawal of the bill, which was impossible in its present form. Hon. Mr. Foy declared that the Government were prepared to engage good legal counsel to investigate the whole matter, go to England if necessary and trace up the history of the original charter. The Minister said the Government was willing and prepared to bear the full expense of the investigation and any litigation that the property holders agree upon. He urged that they agree upon a test case.

Farmers Will Help.

Mr. McCoig said his constituents would be very grateful to the Government for the course taken. He hoped action would be taken at as early a date as possible. Immediate action would meet the hearty approval of the people, many of whom were men in humble circumstances. The farmers would give the Government every assistance in fighting the matter. Mr. McCoig adopted the Attorney-General's suggestion and withdrew his bill.

With the approval of the whole House, Hon. Mr. Hendrie's Provincial Rights bill respecting certain railways and other corporations, passed its committee stage.

Hon. Mr. Graham took occasion to endorse the measure on behalf of the Liberal side of the House. It was taking the position always maintained by Liberals, he said.

Hon. Mr. Whitney—"It is in direct opposition to the Liberal leaders at Ottawa."

Hon. Mr. Graham—"I can't help that."

Senate Interference.

Hon. Mr. Whitney declared it passed his comprehension to note the Senate at Ottawa endeavoring to interfere with provincial rights. "It remains to be seen," he declared, "whether the jurisdiction of the province is to be brazenly swept aside."

And both sides of the House applauded.

Mr. Preston (Brant) asked what position the Government would take if the present legislation was disallowed at Ottawa. Would Ontario make a direct appeal to the Imperial authorities?

Hon. Mr. Whitney thought it would be unwise for Ontario to show its hand to its antagonists. The future would depend on the position taken by them. He might say, however, that if the legislation were disallowed the first step taken would probably be to re-enact it.

Increase Minister's Salaries.

The Prime Minister introduced a bill to increase the salaries of the Cabinet Ministers by \$2,000 each.

"The Government takes the full responsibility for this bill," declared Mr. Whitney. "We have not consulted the Opposition in the matter because we did not deem it proper. With our casting aspirations on how such matters have been dealt with elsewhere, I may say that it naturally breathes suspicion when both sides get together and whisper over it. I have simply secured the permission of the Lieutenant-Governor to introduce the bill."

Mr. Whitney said a salary to the leader of the Opposition was discussed but it was felt if that matter was dealt with it should be dealt with by itself. It would not be proper to join them.

Mr. Graham concurred. For himself he could not accept a salary even if it was offered, but he agreed with the increases to the Ministers. If they were not worth the new salaries they were not worth anything.

SHOT HIS TWO CHILDREN.

Father Turns Revolver On Little Ones—Then Attempts Suicide.

Montreal, April 4.—William Simpson, residing at St. Charles, near Hudson Heights, murdered his two children, one aged two years and the other two months. The little ones were shot with a revolver, which he afterwards turned upon himself. While badly wounded, the man, who is only 23, is still alive. He was brought into the city by train, and is now lying in the General Hospital. He had been married three years, and, according to friends, the family was a happy one. No cause is assigned to the crime.

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY

At the Brisco Opera House on Friday and Saturday, with a 5-cent matinee each day—5 new reels of moving pictures and 2 new songs will be seen, making a 2-hours' show.

WILL INVITE MR. GURD K. C.

President Of Library Association Will Be Asked To Make Address Here

LIBRARY BOARD MEET

The regular monthly meeting of the Library Board was held last evening in the Board room of the Library building. Those present were Wm. Anderson, chairman, A. Sheldrick, J. W. Humphrey, Dr. Charteris, and J. W. Twohey, secretary.

The librarian and the assistant librarian wrote thanking the members of the Board for granting them increases in salary.—Received.

The \$2 due for membership in the Ontario Library Association was ordered paid.

The Planet's account for \$15 was referred with power, and the following accounts were ordered paid:

Planet, \$1.75, \$4.
Leonard Scott Co., \$18.
Postage, freight, etc., \$6.17.
M. Taylor, 50c.
Gas Co., \$12.25.

THE LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

The librarian's report for the month of March, as read by Secretary Twohey, was as follows:

New borrowers..... 45
Books Given Out..... 34
Natural Science..... 2223
Fiction..... 2
Philology..... 13
Fine Arts..... 18
Sociology..... 13
Useful Arts..... 8
Religion..... 75
History..... 108
General Works..... 2553

Cash Received..... \$2.20
Fines..... 6.25
Cards..... 21.60
Rent of Cards..... 2.05
Book Deposits..... .06
Old Papers..... \$32.16

Books asked for by public—Part of Missing Mr. The Psychic Riddle, Human Personality and its Survival of Bodily Health, Whispering Smith. The new books have been catalogued and lists published in the daily papers.

EDITH M. BARASSIN, Librarian.

DELEGATES MAKE REPORT.

Messrs. Anderson and Sheldrick, who attended the annual meeting of the Library Association held in Toronto, as representatives of the Chatham Board, gave short verbal reports on their visit to the Queen City and what they had seen and heard while down there.

Mr. Anderson said that the convention was quite an enthusiastic one, and the debates and papers read were interesting and helpful. Mr. Colquhoun, who had been present and given an address, had made light of the statements made by Premier Whitney and Leader Graham with regard to public libraries. Mr. Colquhoun claimed that good fiction in libraries, which had been ridiculed by the honorable gentlemen, was as good as any class of literature for the public.

Mr. Sheldrick referred to the great interest which is being taken in library work by the Department of Education. The Department was devoting a great deal of time and thought to public literature, and this year a grant of \$300 had been placed on the library estimates without being solicited. In past years the association had been hampered by reason of the lack of funds. In conclusion, Mr. Sheldrick spoke of Mr. Gurd, of Sarnia, as a live president—in fact one of the best presidents the association has ever had.

It was moved by Dr. Charteris and Mr. Humphrey, that the Board endorse the reports of the delegates, and that they be tendered a vote of thanks. Their expenses, amounting to \$10 each, were ordered paid.

Mr. Humphrey suggested that Mr. Gurd, K. C., of Sarnia, should be invited to deliver an address on library work in Chatham. Mr. Humphrey's object is to have an interest awakened in the uses of the library for children.

Both Messrs. Twohey and Sheldrick heartily endorsed the suggestion made by Mr. Humphrey, and the latter was instructed to correspond with Mr. Gurd with a view to bringing him here to deliver an address.

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