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## NOTICE TO GAS CONSUMERS

Natural Gas will be turned  
into the mains of this Com-  
pany on February 15th next,  
on and after which date no  
artificial gas will be supplied.

In order to use Natural Gas  
it will be positively necessary  
for every gas consumer to have  
the piping in his house thor-  
oughly tested with a pressure  
gauge at twenty pounds pres-  
sure. This is necessary on  
account of the Natural Gas  
being delivered at about three  
times greater pressure than  
artificial gas.

All stoves or ranges to be  
used for Natural Gas must  
have closed tops, and in every  
case a flue connection must  
be made from stoves to chimney.

While the manufacturers of  
gas stoves state that artificial  
gas stoves cannot be used for  
natural gas without being en-  
tirely rebuilt, it would appear  
from tests made at this Com-  
pany's office that the artificial  
stove may be made serviceable  
with natural gas, by having a  
special closed top and flue  
connection made for the stove.

A stove specially made for  
natural gas and one specially  
made for artificial gas may be  
seen by any consumer at this  
Company's office, both con-  
nected with natural gas, where  
any explanations necessary will  
be given by the Company's  
officers. Any coal range or  
wood stove may be easily and  
simply connected by special  
burner to use natural gas at  
small expense.

To use Natural Gas for  
lighting, it will be necessary to  
use mantles on all jets, since  
natural gas has practically no  
illuminating value when used  
as an open flame.

All connections to stoves or  
hot plates must be made with  
iron pipe, and in no case should  
rubber or other tubing be used  
for connections.

While this Company will  
look after as far as possible,  
any orders entrusted to its care  
for connections to stoves, fur-  
naces, base-burners, etc., it will  
be impossible for the Company,  
to take care of all its custom-  
ers; and the public will find all  
the local dealers and gas fitters  
ready to take orders.

Consumers are requested to  
have their work done as rapid-  
ly as possible, so that there  
will be as little inconvenience  
as possible when the Natural  
Gas is turned on.

**Chatham Gas Company**  
Limited,  
P. S. COATE, Manager.

### IN ONE WORD

Stella—Do you really advocate  
changes in spelling?  
Bella—Only Miss to Mrs.

Ask for Minard's and take no other

## THE COUNTY WILL ASSIST

Continued from Page One.

The Warden believed that the  
County of Kent should not attempt  
to move alone in the matter.  
Mr. Crawford (Tilbury) favored the  
appointment of a committee from the  
County to act in the matter, and he  
recommended that this committee in-  
terest the representatives of other  
municipalities affected, and invite  
them to meet jointly in the city of  
Chatham and discuss what scheme  
would be most feasible.

Mr. Clark thought it would be  
premature for the Council to take  
action in the matter when it was  
already in the hands of the Reeves  
of the various municipalities.  
Mr. McLarty replying, said that  
the committee from the Council could  
co-operate with the Reeves, and the  
present was the time to act.

The Warden commenced the scheme  
the scheme to interest the  
municipalities interested. This would  
make the petition stronger and more  
effective.

**SUGGESTS A CHANGE.**

Mr. McLarty inquired as to what  
had been done towards petitioning  
the Government to amend the Municipal  
Act with regard to the clause calling  
for the winding up of municipal busi-  
ness by December 15, and immedi-  
ately afterwards publish a detailed  
statement of assets and liabilities.  
Mr. McLarty believed that the Council  
could be bettered by having the no-  
minations held in January and the  
elections one week later. This change  
would give more time for the proper  
audit of the books of the various  
municipalities.

Mr. Rankin, who next took the  
floor, said that it had always been  
difficult to get the reports out by  
December 15, and have them abso-  
lutely correct. In his opinion, this  
condition of affairs could be bettered.  
Mr. Abram said that the matter  
had been brought before the Govern-  
ment on previous occasions. He  
thought there was no reason why the  
statements brought in by December  
15, should not be correct.

Mr. Rankin—I have never yet seen  
one that was absolutely correct.  
Mr. Denholm remarked that sup-  
posing the date for publishing the  
municipal statements was changed to  
January, the old trouble would still  
be experienced. The auditors could  
not furnish a complete report in less  
than two weeks, and it would thus be  
February before elections could be  
held. He knew of no feasible way of  
overcoming the present difficulty.

Mr. McLarty held that even were  
the elections delayed till February it  
would be no drawback, as the Janu-  
ary session was never an important  
one. The proposed change would do  
away with the present expenses in  
connection with the detailed state-  
ment and the auditor's report.

**MOTIONS.**

Rankin—Irwin—That a grant of  
\$100 be made towards the mainte-  
nance of the free ferry across the  
Thames from Dover to Raleigh, at or  
near Prairie Sliding, Township of Rai-  
leigh—Roads and Bridges.  
Graham—Crawford—That a grant of  
\$789 be made to Tilbury East in  
connection with unforeseen expenses of  
the Roads and Bridges committee—  
Roads and Bridges.  
Crawford—Peets—That this Council  
instruct the Solicitor to petition the  
Government to issue 25 year con-  
solidation debentures to absorb the  
present debentures as they mature,  
and the deficits, if any such exist—  
Finance.

Crawford—McLarty—That the Coun-  
cil petition the Government to amend  
the Municipal Act, so as to make it  
compulsory that the municipalities  
have their books audited by a char-  
tered accountant, appointed by the  
Government or otherwise.—Petitions  
and Legislation.

The Council then adjourned to meet  
Friday at ten o'clock.

**FRIDAY MORNING.**

At the opening of the morning ses-  
sion Dr. C. R. Charteris was heard  
within the hour in reference to the  
case of people being admitted to the  
House of Refuge. Some were  
unfit, being half-witted, and others  
almost insane. If such are to be ad-  
mitted, special quarters should be  
provided for keeping these persons.  
Another man should be appointed to  
look after inmates when they are  
sick, and administer medicine. There  
are 47 inmates now and they are  
all sick with a gripe, including  
the keeper and his wife. He never  
visited that place without finding  
six or seven needing medicine. The  
keeper cannot be expected to become  
a caretaker of a lunatic asylum, and  
this is practically what it is now.

Certain improvements in the sani-  
tary arrangements were also very  
badly needed. He would like the  
Council to visit this institution dur-  
ing the present session, even at the  
neglect of other business. He espe-  
cially wanted a department apart  
from the institution for people of  
unsound mind, and a woman assist-  
ant to look after them. The asylums  
refuse the people referred to.  
A small wing built on the institu-  
tion to accommodate 20 or 25 beds  
would be satisfactory. There is no  
room for such accommodation in the  
present building. One woman is  
very insane and strong. She is,  
however, blind, and it is only owing  
to this that the keeper is able to  
control her.

Mr. Brien explained that in the  
case of one insane inmate application  
had been first made to an asylum,  
but they refused to take her. She  
had been finally admitted to the  
House of Refuge.

Dr. Charteris—When you consider  
that one-quarter of the inmates are  
in this condition, it is quite a seri-  
ous matter.

Capt. Ribble explained relative to  
the Frenchman, reference to whom  
was made by Dr. Charteris, that the  
man is not a pauper. He was not  
in a condition to administer his af-  
fairs. Dresden wanted the House of  
Refuge to take care of him until the  
town has the authority to adminis-  
ter his affairs.

At the suggestion of Mr. Johns,  
the Council will visit the House of  
Refuge and then deal with the sug-  
gestions of Dr. Charteris.

A couple of accounts—one from Mr.  
Ross and the other from Mr. Hornall  
—were referred to the Finance com-  
mittee. These accounts were for com-  
mittee work.

The Harrison Hall committee re-  
commended that the fixtures in the  
Hall be fitted up immediately to re-  
ceive natural gas, which will be turned  
on on February 15. Adopted.

Under the head of inquiries Mr.  
Crawford (Tilbury) asked if the Clerk  
had received copies of the assessment  
rolls from the Clerk of the different  
townships. According to the present  
law they should be forwarded every  
two years.

The Clerk—I am sorry to say I  
have not. Some of the Clerks are  
prompt. Others are not. For several  
townships I have had no assessment  
rolls since 1902. The townships are  
losing money as a result of this  
negligence. In many cases I have  
difficulty in getting even abstracts  
from the rolls when I apply for  
them.

It was moved by Mr. Graham, and  
seconded by Mr. Crawford, that the  
Clerk be instructed to provide the  
Council with the names of the munici-  
palities whose assessment rolls have  
not been received by the County  
Clerk.

**MOTIONS.**

Rankin—Abram—That a grant of  
\$200 be made towards repairing the  
Dover and Chatham town line.—Re-  
ferred to Roads and Bridges com-  
mittee.

Wickens—Badder—That a grant of  
\$50 be made to assist the Township  
of Chatham in swinging the Tupper-  
ville bridge—Roads and Bridges.

Peets—McLarty—That a grant of  
\$100 be made to assist in repairing  
the town line between Oxford and  
Howard—Roads and Bridges.

McLarty—Brien—That a grant of  
\$500 be granted to assist in repair-  
ing the River Road, Howard—Fin-  
ance.

McLarty—Peets—That the Muni-  
cipal Act be amended so as to give  
the townships power to have their  
accounts audited at any time pro-  
viding they pass by-laws to that ef-  
fect.—Petitions and Legislation.

Crawford (Tilbury)—Johns—That a  
grant of \$2,000 be made to apply to-  
wards the construction of a new  
Town Hall at Tilbury, the total cost  
of which will be not less than \$8,000  
or \$10,000.—Finance.

Badder—Wickens—That \$150 be  
granted to assist in repairing the  
town line between Zone and Camden.  
—Roads and Bridges.

Denholm—Badder—That \$150 be  
granted to assist in repairing Vic-  
toria street between Thamesville and  
the C. P. R. Railway.—Roads and  
Bridges.

Denholm—Dilliot—That this Coun-  
cil make a grant of \$25 to each Pub-  
lic Library receiving a Government  
grant, and that a further grant of  
\$25 be made to all free libraries  
with reading rooms which are kept  
open every lawful evening and part  
of each day.—Finance.

Denholm—Buchanan—That a  
grant of \$50 be made to each, the  
East and West Kent Agricultural  
Societies.—Finance.

Denholm—Crawford—That grants  
of \$25 each be made to the East and  
West Kent Farmers' Institutes.—  
Finance.

Denholm—Clark—That grants  
of \$10 each be made to the East and  
West Kent Women's Institutes.—  
Finance.

Crawford (Tilbury)—Rankin—That  
a committee, composed of John Pig-  
gott, the Clerk and the Warden, be  
appointed to arrange for a meet-  
ing of the municipalities interested  
in the Thames River cut-off.

In making this motion Mr. Craw-  
ford pointed out that Mr. Piggott  
was a good man on this committee,  
as he took a great deal of interest  
in the matter and had already taken  
the matter up personally with the  
Government at Ottawa.

At the suggestion of Mr. McLarty,  
Cory Purser was added to that  
committee. The motion was then  
carried.

Ribble—Badder—That a grant  
of \$200 be made to assist in repair-  
ing the townline between Dresden  
and the station.—Finance.

Wellwood—Clark—That a grant  
of \$500 be made to assist in repair-  
ing the Raleigh and Harwich town-  
line.—Roads and Bridges.

A by-law to realize grants and an-  
other to place Wallaceburg back on  
the School Inspectorate of West Kent  
were read a first time.

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT.**

The County Treasurer brought in a  
financial statement showing a de-  
ficit from last year of \$5,953.50. It  
was shown that the Council last year  
levied on \$28,000, whereas to meet  
their expenditures, they should have  
levied on about \$33,952. The reason  
for the increased expenditure was  
that grants were made, and not in-  
cluded in the estimate, and unforeseen  
expenses came up.

Mr. Crawford (Tilbury) thought this  
should be made public, as this year's  
Council should not be held respon-  
sible for neglect on the part of the  
Council of 1906 to pay their way.

The Warden—Some of last year's  
Council wanted to be cunning. I be-  
lieve, however, in raising enough  
money to meet all expenditures, so  
that men coming after you will not  
laugh at you.

In this the Warden was supported  
by all the Council.

Mr. Peets—It is certainly a skin  
game. I have gone up against this  
kind of a game before. Last year  
our Township Council raised \$2,500.00  
less than they should have raised.

Mr. Rankin—It is a great mistake  
to make the estimate too low. Coun-  
cils should leave everything clean be-  
hind them.

The Council adjourned to visit the  
House of Refuge in the afternoon.

**WANTED ANOTHER.**

Lady in dry goods store.—And is  
this color also genuine?

Salesman—As genuine as the roses  
on your cheeks, miss.

Lady—H'm—show me another one.

Some men's littleness is by far the  
biggest part of them.

Minard's Liniment cures Dandruff

## QUEER SITUATION

Dominion Can Make Laws to Sup-  
press Combines But Cannot Pun-  
ish—The Inspection Act.

Ottawa, Jan. 25.—The House spent  
two hours on the tariff last night and  
passed a number of items, having  
covered 200 of the total of 711, except  
a few reserved for future considera-  
tion.

An interesting discussion sprang up  
respecting the import duty on paper,  
and the advisability of an export duty  
on pulp. Mr. Fielding took great  
credit for suppressing the paper com-  
bine some years ago by removing the  
duty.

"Why were not the men who com-  
bined, the conspirators, proceeded  
against under the criminal code?"  
was asked by Messrs. Foster, Fowler  
and Sproule.

"That is the same question we had  
up the other night," said the Minis-  
ter. "How often is it necessary for us  
to tell the House that this Govern-  
ment cannot enforce any criminal  
statute?"

Mr. Perley (Conservative, Quebec),  
observed that it seemed peculiar that  
while a private citizen could cause an  
arrest, that the Government of this  
nation could not do so.  
In committee the House took up  
Mr. Fisher's bill for the inspection  
of canned meat and fruit. There was  
a long discussion, in which the con-  
servative members declared the bill  
was undigested legislation likely to  
prove unnecessary and costly to the  
country, but it passed through com-  
mittee and stands for third reading.

Mr. Macdonell (South Toronto) in-  
troduced a bill to amend the copy-  
right act, to abolish the lengthy for-  
mula now required, and to substitute  
the simple phrase "Copyrighted in  
Canada" and the name of the artist.

Mr. Fisher stated that the Govern-  
ment had decided to construct a per-  
manent Marconi station on the main-  
land to insure transmission of mes-  
sages to Prince Edward Island at any  
time when the cable is out of order.

Ottawa, Jan. 25.—In the Senate  
yesterday Hon. G. W. Ross made his  
maiden speech in the Red Chamber.  
He urged exploration of Canada's  
north country, and told how this pro-  
vince profited by New Ontario inves-  
tigations.

**CHIEF JUSTICE RESIGNS.**

Sir Alexander Lacoste Will Become  
Consulting Solicitor For C. P. R.  
Montreal, Jan. 25.—Sir Alexander  
Lacoste, Chief Justice of the Court of  
Appeals, has resigned, and will be-  
come consulting solicitor for the Cana-  
dian Pacific Railway.

It is said that Justice Taschereau,  
who went to Ottawa yesterday, will  
to-day be chosen to replace Sir Alex-  
ander at the head of the Court of  
Appeals.  
To-day, also, at the meeting of the  
Cabinet in Ottawa, Jacques Bruneau,  
M. P. for Three Rivers, will be ap-  
pointed Solicitor-General.

**GREAT FIRE AT POLOTSK.**

Central Part of One of Russia's Most  
Ancient Cities Destroyed.  
St. Petersburg, Jan. 25.—The cen-  
tral part of the city of Polotsk, one of  
the most ancient cities of the empire, has  
been destroyed by fire. The damage  
done is heavy.

**Bad Blaze at Brampton.**

Brampton, Jan. 25.—The most stub-  
born fire here for some years broke  
out at 9 last night in the planing  
mill of the Irvine Lumber and Fuel  
Co. The adjoining room was used as  
a drying kiln and was filled with  
lumber. The three-story building of  
the Canada Shoe Co. adjoins the room  
in which the fire started. The fire-  
men succeeded in saving the shoe fac-  
tory, although considerably damaged.  
The shoe factory was completely de-  
stroyed with a large quantity of lum-  
ber. The loss is heavy, partly covered  
by insurance.

**Senator Alger Dies Suddenly.**

Washington, Jan. 25.—United  
States Senator Russell A. Alger of  
Michigan, died suddenly at his home  
here at 8.45 o'clock yesterday morn-  
ing. There were practically no pre-  
monitory symptoms that the end was  
near. Mr. Alger had suffered for years  
from chronic vulvular disease of the  
heart. The Senate adjourned at 12.17  
p.m. out of respect to the memory of  
Senator Alger. Senator Alger is sur-  
vived by his widow and five children.  
The body will be taken to Detroit for  
burial.

**Phone Service Dislocated.**

London, Jan. 25.—The entire tele-  
phone service of London was put out  
of business yesterday by an electric  
power line becoming crossed with a  
long-distance line, and burning out  
the switchboard of the phone com-  
pany. The damage sustained by the  
latter will be heavy, as business may  
not be resumed for a week, and a  
new switchboard will have to be se-  
cured.

**Preparing a Mohawk Bible.**

Detroit, Jan. 25.—Moses S. Martin,  
an 80-year-old Mohawk Indian from  
the Brant reservation, near Brantford,  
Ont., is spending the winter here,  
working upon a translation of the New  
Testament into the language of the  
Mohawk and Six Nation Indians,  
upon which he has been engaged over  
two years. When completed, it will be  
the only Mohawk Bible in existence.

**Mr. Gault Elected.**

Montreal, Jan. 25.—C. Ernest Gault  
was returned yesterday to the Legis-  
lature for St. Antoine, polling 2,023  
votes against 1,054 polled for Percy  
Ryan. He is a Conservative.

**C.P.R. Will Double Track.**

Ottawa, Jan. 25.—The C.P.R. is ar-  
ranging to double-track its line be-  
tween Smith's Falls and Montreal as  
soon as the snow goes.

**Twenty-Four Die.**

Trinidad, Colo., Jan. 25.—It is of-  
ficially announced that 24 men were  
killed by the mine explosion at Pri-  
mero, Wednesday.

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panied by an escort.

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