

END OF THE ART SCHOOL,

Unless Board of Education Will Take It Up.

Grant of \$3,500 Made, But For the Last Time.

Good Work of the Victorian Order of Nurses Recognized.

Although warned that it would result in the closing of the Hamilton Art School in June, and that the responsibility would be charged up to them, the members of the Finance Committee decided on the casting vote of Chairman Peregrine yesterday afternoon to make no further grants to the school after this year. The committee will recommend when the application came up, Rev. Dr. Lyle, one of the directors, did some plain talking.

Some of the aldermen remarked that they understood the grant was to be discontinued after last year.

Dr. Lyle said he knew of no such understanding. He said the local institution was getting what no other Art School in Ontario was getting, a grant of \$2,000 from the Government, so pleased was it with the work done. This, with the city's grant, formed the bulk of the appropriation. There was still a good chance of the city getting the Technical College, and if it came he thought the work of the Art School would play no small share in securing it.

"I think it would be absolutely suicidal," he said, "to close up the Art School. The city has done two foolish things. It might have had the Victoria University and the MacDonald Institute, now at Guelph, if it had acted differently. It is just possible it is making a mistake in deciding to close the Art School up. It is nothing to me. I don't make a cent out of it, but I have often gone down in my pocket for it."

Dr. Lyle referred to the long time he had served on the board. "I am tired of begging," he said, "for something that the school is justly entitled to."

Some would say the school was used by the well-to-do class. The directors were glad to have them, because it meant a revenue. But the school was for the artisans. He made these explanations because the school had been subjected to a lot of unjust criticism.

Mayor McLaren said he was in sympathy with the school, but he thought it was applying at the wrong end. It should go to the Board of Education, whose duty it was to look after all educational matters.

Dr. Lyle said that the directors had gone to the Board of Education, and had met with a flat refusal.

Some of the aldermen favored making the \$3,500 grant on condition that the resolution provided there should be no further grants.

Ald. Lees opposed this, and Dr. Lyle remarked: "Gentlemen, don't blind your eyes to the fact that the school will be closed in June as far as we are concerned. We can't exist, that is all."

Ald. Lees and Guy moved: "That the usual grant of \$3,500 be made to the Hamilton Art School on the understanding that any grant that may be given after this year will be contingent on the teaching of the same lines conducted by the Collegiate Technical School, and we are of the opinion that the whole matter should be considered by the Board of Education."

In amendment, Ald. Cooper, seconded by Ald. Hopkins, moved:

"That the usual grant of \$3,500 be made to the Hamilton Art School, and that the question of education in art and technical science conducted by the Hamilton Art School be referred to the Board of Education, the committee being of the opinion that all educational matters should be under the control of that board, and that no further grant be made by the city to the Art School."

The mover and seconder voted for the motion and amendment in each case, and Chairman Peregrine declared the amendment carried.

Ald. Lees said there had been criticism because it was said that money was squandered by Principal Naylor traveling in the States, but this was emphatically denied by the directors. "There has also been criticism," he said, "that classes are conducted in the 'alt' together. That is also wrong. There is no work there in posing that is not draped."

After Chairman Peregrine declared the amendment carried, Dr. Lyle remarked: "I wish to say the responsibility lies on you in closing the school. It is not possible for us to go on."

The aldermen were satisfied the responsibility would rest on the Board of Education.

ISOLATION HOSPITAL.

The Board of Health's campaign for a new scarlet fever and diphtheria hospital, on an isolated site, is not likely to be endorsed by the aldermen.

The Finance sub-committee appointed to report on the Board's request that funds be provided for such a new hospital urged that the present isolation buildings on the Hospital grounds be enlarged by adding another story. They thought would provide sufficient accommodation for ten years.

The committee decided to adopt the report, although Ald. Guy and Mayor McLaren expressed themselves opposed to spending any more money on the present Hospital grounds. The Mayor declared that as soon as this addition was built and filled up the Hospital people would be after another addition.

GRANT TO VICTORIAN ORDER.

On behalf of the Victorian Order of Nurses, Thomas W. Watkins and C. W. Cartwright made a strong plea for a grant of \$300. They pointed out that the work had grown to such an extent it was necessary to bring another nurse here.

Ald. Hopkins, who is also a physician, declared this was one of the most worthy charities in Hamilton. There was only one thing to guard against, and that was that a number of people, who could afford to pay for a regular nurse, called in members of the Victorian Order.

After considerable discussion a grant of \$200 was made.

A grant of \$300 was made to the Industrial Committee.

The usual grant of \$25 was made to the Hamilton Teachers' Institute.

W. H. Seymour, President of the Hamilton Tigers' Football Club, at the head of a strong deputation, told what the senior Tigers had done for the city. A \$500 grant for permanent grounds for the club, or to buy souvenirs for the champions, was requested. Mr. Seymour referred to the advertising Hamilton had secured through the Tigers, and also mentioned that the club had sent Bobby Kerr, the world's champion sprinter, to



JOE CANNON,
Speaker of the United States House of Representatives.

BEACH BILL.

Text of the Measure to Amend the Burlington Beach Act.

A Bill That Will Likely Create Discussion in the House.

An act to amend the act respecting Burlington Beach—His Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario, enacts as follows:

1. Section 22 of the Act respecting Burlington Beach repealed and the following section substituted therefor:

22.—(1) From and after the passing of this Act, the territory aforesaid shall be deemed to be separated from and to no longer form part of the Township of Saltfleet or of the County of Wentworth for municipal or school purposes and shall cease to be subject to the jurisdiction thereof, except for judicial purposes.

(2) The Commissioners shall pay annually on or before the 31st day of December until the year 1925 inclusive, and no longer the sum of \$200 only, to the said Township of Saltfleet for school section number 4 debt due existing at the time of the passing of this Act.

(3) The school house in said school section number 4 of the Township of Saltfleet to be the exclusive property of the said school section number 4 as constituted after the separation of the said territory of Burlington Beach therefrom.

(4) The said territory of Burlington Beach shall not send any pupils to the said school without the consent of the trustees of said school section number 4.

(5) The commissioners shall pay annually on or before the 31st day of December until the year 1933 inclusive, and no longer the sum of \$97.50 to the County of Wentworth for the county debt due existing at the time of the passing of this Act.

(6) The said commissioners shall also pay annually on or before the 31st day of December the sum of \$— to the said County of Wentworth in full satisfaction of all former liability to the said County of Wentworth.

2. The said Act is further amended by adding the following sections:

22a.—No action shall be maintainable against the said County of Wentworth or against the said Township of Saltfleet by reason of the non-repair of the highways, streets, sidewalks or bridges in the said territory of Burlington Beach or by reason of any misfeasance or nonfeasance in relation to the said territory.

22b.—The said Township of Saltfleet is authorized and empowered to collect in the manner provided by The Assessment Act all arrears of taxes up to and inclusive of 1906 and still remaining unpaid and for the purposes aforesaid the Treasurer and Warden of the County of Wentworth shall have power respectively to take all the proceedings which Treasurers and Wardens under The Assessment Act can take for the sale and conveyance of lands in arrears for taxes in respect to lands in arrears for

PLOTTED MURDER.

CONFESSION OF ITALIAN UNDER SENTENCE OF DEATH.

Claims That the Bush Gang Deliberately Plotted to Murder Patrick Green, the Montreal Jewellery Peddler, for His Money.

Andover, N. B., March 25.—Tony Arosia this morning gave a complete confession on behalf of himself and Leon Seppell, the other Italian, to T. J. Carter, who represented the Attorney-General, of the murder of Patrick Green, the Montreal Jewellery Peddler, near Plaster Rock, on Dec. 26th last.

To-day Sandy Murray, formerly the boss of the Italian gang at Johnston's camp, near Plaster Rock, was arrested by Sheriff Gagnon near Baker Brook. From Arosia's confession he appears to have laid the plans for the murder and directed Arosia and Seppell in their terrible work.

Yesterday two Italians named Hatch, who were witnesses at the trial of Arosia and Seppell, were arrested. One is an old man and the other a young fellow, and they are also implicated in Arosia's confession and are said to have handled the stolen money.

Arosia, in his confession, says that on the night of the 19th, the day before the murder, he met Seppell and the two Hatches, and Sandy Murray, and Murray told him there were two Jewellery men who had gone down the line, and that they had a big stack of money, maybe as much as a million dollars, also a box full of watches and diamond rings. Murray said if they would kill these men it would make them all rich.

In the morning they went out to talk over the shooting again. The younger Hatch gave Tony a knife. Tony did not want to go, but Murray went with them as far as the dump. Murray told them the direction to take, and told them to hide in the woods. He gave Tony a gun, and said that if he had had a gun he would have gone with them.

When Green came along both fired. Green fell and then Seppell fired three shots at Penarsky. Tony was so frightened he was going to shoot himself at first, but finally threw his gun away, and in the meantime Seppell had secured the booty. After that they wandered in the woods and at night built a fire, and Seppell produced the money and told Tony to count it. There was \$2,000 in the roll and they divided it. The Hatches concealed the money in the camp just before the officers came in and made the arrest.

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HOUSE IN SUPPLY.

Harbors and Rivers Appropriations Passed.

Tells What is Being Done to Increase Grain-Carrying Trade.

Ottawa, March 25.—With the end of the fiscal year in sight the House of Commons applied itself diligently to-day to a consideration of the supplementary estimates, the Government being anxious that these should, as far as possible, be disposed of before the month expires. Practically the whole session was spent in Committee of Supply, and the Minister of Public Works was under the necessity of showing what the Government had done in that direction and what they intended to do. He thought the member for North Simcoe might have given credit to the Government for what they had accomplished, particularly for their recognition of the great opportunities for developing trade on the west shore of Lake Superior, and at ports of eastern Canada. Terminals were being laid out on a broad and definite plan, the aim of the Government being that any ships which were able to enter the harbors of Chicago and Duluth should also be able to enter the harbor of Port Arthur. They wanted Canadian harbors to be equal to those of the United States. Last year eighteen million bushels of Canadian grain passed through the port of Buffalo and was thus lost to Canadian trade. The Government were seeking to remedy that, and their hope was that before long the whole of the great grain trade of the west would pass through Canadian channels. On the eastern shores of the Georgian Bay the Government had also spent large sums of money on harbor improvements.

All the Quebec, Ontario, Manitoba and British Columbia supplementary estimates for public works were passed before the House adjourned.

"ALEXANDRA" MOUNTAINS.

King Consents to Name Newly Discovered Antarctic Range.

London, March 25.—King Edward has assented to a proposal made by Lieut. Shackleton that the newly-found Antarctic mountains be named Queen Alexandra. Both the King and Queen have telegraphed heartfelt congratulations to Lieut. Shackleton.

Three pictures shown at the Canadian Art Club were purchased for the National Gallery at Ottawa.

BOY SAYS HE SAW MURDER

George Patyk Accused of Murder of Mrs. Peirog.

Woman Had Just Come in With Pail of Milk When Attacked.

Accused Man Threatens Vengeance on Boy For Telling.

Niagara Falls, March 25.—George Patyk stands accused of the murder of Mrs. Tony Peirog, by Romain Sankoski, fifteen years old, who says that he was an eye-witness to the murder in the Hogan homestead on Sunday night. Before Coroner Walter A. Scott and District Attorney Fred M. Ackerson the boy this morning recited the details of the crime and when confronted with Patyk boldly held his ground, shouting in his excitement: "You did kill; you did kill her!"

The Sankoski boy was arrested this morning about 9 o'clock by Patrolman Reilly in East Falls street on complaint of his father, on the charge of running away from home. On the way to police headquarters the lad told Reilly that he knew something of the murder, and to Chief Lyons he told the tale vividly and convincingly. Terror alone had kept him from letting the police know the story. Coroner Scott, with District Attorney Ackerson, summoned the boy at this morning's session of the inquest. He had been at the home of his sister in Fifteenth street, when he was told that Mrs. Peirog wished him to help her with the chores of the place. It was about 6 o'clock when he approached the Peirog house. He saw Mrs. Peirog entering the place with a pail of milk and immediately afterward heard her scream: "Beware of God! What are you doing?"

He said that he saw Patyk strike the woman with a butcher knife, in the shed. The blade broke off, and Patyk picked up an axe and struck her down with that, using the blade first and then the butt end. Then Patyk came out of the shed and washed his hands in a tub outside the door, the lad said.

"She came out of the door with her right arm up," the boy continued, "but she had nothing in her hand. The man struck her on the right arm with this thing (a tamping iron) and struck her over the head. She fell, and he dragged her into the house and then went away."

"He was gone about fifteen minutes, when he came back with a revolver in his hand. He looked at it to see if it was loaded. Then he turned the woman over. I was looking in and I saw him take a knife and cut her several times."

The boy says that Patyk threatened him with death if he told anyone of the crime. The boy identified the blood-stained coat found by Detective Carmody as that worn by Patyk, on the night of the murder. What, with the threat of Patyk and an accusation of theft, the boy was so much frightened that he ran away from home and went to the home of an uncle.

Patyk was confronted with the boy, and stoutly maintained his innocence. For the rest of the day he paced his cell, muttering: "He tell I kill her; me fix, me fix."

Patyk was a brother-in-law of Mrs. Peirog. They frequently quarreled because Patyk had deserted her sister in Poland and is alleged to have gone to live with another woman in the Polish quarter. Only a short time before the crime was committed, it is said that Mrs. Peirog received a letter from her sister, who was in need of money. Those intimate with the family say that Mrs. Peirog berated Patyk for his alleged infidelity and neglect.

BILL TO STAND OVER

Clause Two of Canada Life Measure Thrown Out.

Ottawa, March 25.—The Standing Orders Committee of the Commons, to which was referred the Canada Life Company's bill for consideration as to the sufficiency of notice given in The Canada Gazette, this morning by a vote of 19 to 12 threw out the clause two of the bill. This is the contentious clause relating to the distribution of profits to shareholders, and the clause which the Commons debated at length on Monday last.

300 MURDERS

Committed by Russian Woman in Last Thirty Years.

St. Petersburg, March 25.—Charged with having committed some three hundred murders, a woman named Popova has been arrested at Samara. During the last thirty years, it appears, the woman has made a practice of murdering her husbands by means of poison. She charged a small fee, and said to have executed her commissions with much despatch. One of her clients, tormented by remorse, has now denounced her.

Mme. Popova has confessed to having committed the murders, but protests that she did excellent work in freeing unhappy wives from their tyrants. She never murdered a woman. A mob wanted to seize her and burn her at the stake, but was prevented by the police.

CHIEF WRIGHT DEAD

Was Head of Ingersoll Police Force For Ten Years.

Ingersoll, March 25.—The death took place this afternoon of Allan Wright, Chief of Police. Yesterday he underwent a critical operation, which at the time offered only slight hope of recovery. He had been in poor health for the past few months. Deceased was appointed Chief of Police on the 16th of October, 1899, a position which he had filled to the satisfaction of all. He was a native of England, and before coming to Ingersoll was on the police force of old London for fourteen years.

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SENATE'S SUBSTITUTE

Lancaster Crossings Bill Killed Again.

Ottawa, March 25.—The Railway Committee of the Senate to-day, by a vote of fifteen to nine, substituted for the Lancaster level crossing protection bill a measure of their own. This was prepared by Senator Beaudry last year in amendment to Mr. Lancaster's measure. It was sent to the Commons so late in the session that it was not considered before prorogation. The Senators believe that it is a more effective and more reasonable crossing protection measure than the Lancaster bill, and they insist that the Commons shall pronounce upon it. There were three proposals before the committee to-day; one was the Lancaster bill, the second was an amendment by Senator Power, and the third was the Senate bill of last session.

Senator Power's amendment virtually re-nacted the existing crossing protection law, with the addition that it compels the Railway Commission to exercise the authority they now have to order protection for level crossings. The Senate's substitute bill of last session aims to put the Railway Commission in immediate motion to order the protection of grade crossings, and throws upon the commission the responsibility of seeing that protection is promptly given. Until the commission made orders in regard to the crossings, trains could not, according to the bill, pass those crossings faster than ten miles an hour.

Mr. J. S. Pearce, Parks Commissioner of London, Ont., died on Thursday evening.