

## THE ENGINEER PROTESTS

Against the Proposed Cut in Salaries.

## A STATEMENT IS PREPARED

Showing How the Expenses Have Been Reduced Every Year.

Mr. Keating Says He Will Not Accept Responsibility for the Efficiency of the Department if the Reduction is Made—Exempting the Dead Meat Industry—Civic Work in Progress—Interesting Facts About the Jubilee Parade—Joke from the City Hall.

Engineer Keating will, as was of course expected, make a vigorous protest against the proposed reduction of \$4000 in the salaries in his department. He is preparing a comparative statement of the salary account in his department, showing the amount paid when he took the office and the annual reduction since.

According to this statement the salary list of the department in 1890, exclusive of the surveying and plumbing departments, totalled \$41,032.22, which included \$4338.76 for the waterworks branch, work which is now all done in the department. Since then, the reductions have been as follows:

1891, reduced to \$37,385.38.  
1892, reduced to \$35,971.00.  
1893, reduced to \$28,590.73.  
1894, reduced to \$27,478.00.  
1895, reduced to \$25,905.69.  
1896, reduced to \$23,707.80.  
1897, reduced to \$23,022.80.

The statement shows that in 1890 there were 38 employees in the department and that this number was reduced as follows: 1892, 34; 1893, 29; 1894, 26; 1895, 22; 1896, 20.

"I certainly will not accept any responsibility for the efficiency of the department if the proposed reduction is enforced," said Mr. Keating. "There is a large amount of work going on, including the laying of the steel pipe at the Island, which is a most important work, and requires careful supervision; the Queen-street subway, pavements, sidewalks, etc. etc. We have over 250 miles of water mains to look after. The department has a large amount of regular work of all kinds. A large amount of the work done in my department is not engineering work, but it seems that we have to spend half our time in defending the department from all kinds of attacks, instead of devoting it to advancing the city's interests. The saving of \$50,000 in the city's annual cost bill, which has been effected during my term of office, would run the whole department, but it would seem that no credit is due for this saving."

The Dead Meat Industry.  
Yesterday afternoon a sub-committee of the Property Committee, consisting of Ald. Burns and Sheppard, met City Solicitor Caswell and went over the by-law granting an exemption to William Harris on the export portion of his dead meat trade. The by-law will be printed and submitted to Council, when Ald. Hallam will, no doubt, make another kick against encouraging this big industry.

Destroying Trees.  
Robert Davies has called the Mayor's attention to the fact that many of the young elm trees that were recently planted along the Don have been destroyed by bad boys. He suggests that the city should keep an eye on these trees, as the drive along the Don can be made one of the finest in Toronto.

The Hamilton Bridge Company have been instructed to commence the steel superstructure at the Queen-street way.

Gardiner & Co. have received orders to lay a cement sidewalk along the north side of Prince Arthur-avenue, between Avenue and Bedford-roads.

An order has been issued to John McBean to begin the construction of the brick pavement on St. Joseph-street, from Yonge to St. Vincent.

Jubilee Festivities.  
The City Clerk has not yet received information as to the number of members each of the following societies will have on parade on Jubilee Day: Sons of Ireland Protestant Association, Royal Arcanum, Ancient Order of United Workmen, Grand United Independent Order of Oddfellows, Independent Order of Good Templars, Royal Templars of Temperance, Canadian Order of Oddfellows, Catholic Order of Foresters, Woodmen of the World and Civil Engineers' Benevolent Society.

On Friday the Chief Constable will assign the several societies the places at which they will assemble on the morning of Jubilee Day, and any society failing to furnish the information asked for by to-morrow will be placed at the end of the procession.

There will be 1600 Public school boys on parade in the drill corps. It is expected that between 8000 and 10,000 people will march in the procession.

Chairman Hubbard says 150 fremen will be in the parade.

The Mayor has issued a proclamation, making Tuesday (Jubilee Day) a public holiday.

City Hall Notes.  
Ald. Lamb is acting Mayor during His Worship's absence in Ottawa.

The Council meeting called for to-morrow night has been postponed until some day next week.

The grand parade "Daniel Lamb" was towed over to Centre Island yesterday and will be used to improve the entrance to Long Point.

The Controllers may be pleased with the adoption of the estimates, but they refuse to adopt the citizens' estimate of that gentleman.

"I won't vote on this motion, because I can't do so intelligently," is a remark sometimes heard from Ald. Scott, when he does not thoroughly understand the issue. If some of the other aldermen realized this rule they would never vote.

"What did the Mayor's secretary say that increase in salary for?" asked one of the hearers.

"Well, Wilson practically demanded it," replied the star boarder. "He told the Mayor that he had decided him when he brought him over from the City Clerk's Department, and that he thought he was simply going to be



THE FRIDAY BEFORE JUBILEE DAY will be a shoppers. A host of summer things will be wanted. Study this list and see how suggestive we have been and what little prices have been put on the goods for Jubilee Friday—a jubilee for your purse:

**COLORFUL DRESS GOODS**  
44-in. French Fancy Silk and Wool, 200 yds. for \$1.25, for 50c.  
46-in. Lustrous, in light fawn and grey, 75c. for 50c.  
Balance of Remnants, worth from 50c to \$1.25, clearing at 25c.

**BLACK DRESS GOODS**  
44-in. Black Cheviot Serge, 50c. for 35c.  
40-in. Silk and Wool Grenadine, flowered, 50c. for 35c.  
42-in. Figured Lustre, bright finish, 50c. for 35c.

**SILKS**  
21-in. Fancy Shot and Striped Taffetas, all pure silk, were 60c. clearing Friday 35c.  
Black India Silk, extra weight, Lyons dyed, fast black, special 40c.  
15 pieces Lyons Black Brocades, new silks, reg. value \$1 to \$1.25, for 75c.

**HOSIERY AND UNDERWEAR**  
Children's Plain Black and Tan Cotton Hose, full fashioned, double heel and toe, stainless dye, special 3 for 15c, reg. 15c each, all sizes.  
Ladies' Fancy Black Drop-Stitch Cotton Hose, Hermsdorf style, double heel and toe, special 2 for 25c, reg. 25c pair.  
Ladies' Black Lisle Thread Hose—double heel and toe, Hermsdorf style, special 10c, reg. 35c.

**Butler's Canned Apples, 5c per tin.**

**WASH FABRICS**  
32-in. Glass Cloth, new goods, in pretty designs, perfectly fast colors, worth 10c, for 5c.  
New Challies, in pretty floral designs, perfectly fast colors, worth 10c, special 5c.  
Vienna American Prints, in dark grounds, with floral designs, very special for wrappers, perfectly fast colors, worth 15c, special 10c.

**EDGINGS AND LAINES**  
40-in. Loom Table Damask, 22 1/2c, reg. 30c.  
34-in. Silence Cloth or Table Padding, 45c, reg. 60c.  
35-in. Heavy Factory Cotton, 4c, reg. 5 1/2c.

**SMALLWARES**  
Special Lot of Side Combs, in black and shell, reg. 25c pair, Friday 10c.  
Fancy Cotton Braids, all colors, reg. 8c yard, Friday 2 yards for 5c.  
Imitation Torchon Lace, 5-in. wide, reg. 12 1/2c, Friday 7c.

**GLAZES**  
Ladies' Cream and White Pure Silk Gloves, reg. 30c, for 20c.  
Colored and Black Lisle Mitts, special 15c.  
Black and Colored Kid Gloves, 3 domes, guaranteed, 15c.

**FANCY WORK DEPT.**  
Hem-stitched Centre, 20 x 20, 24 x 24, 28 x 28, 32 x 32, 36 x 36, 40 x 40, 44 x 44, 48 x 48, 52 x 52, 56 x 56, 60 x 60, 64 x 64, 68 x 68, 72 x 72, 76 x 76, 80 x 80, 84 x 84, 88 x 88, 92 x 92, 96 x 96, 100 x 100, 104 x 104, 108 x 108, 112 x 112, 116 x 116, 120 x 120, 124 x 124, 128 x 128, 132 x 132, 136 x 136, 140 x 140, 144 x 144, 148 x 148, 152 x 152, 156 x 156, 160 x 160, 164 x 164, 168 x 168, 172 x 172, 176 x 176, 180 x 180, 184 x 184, 188 x 188, 192 x 192, 196 x 196, 200 x 200, 204 x 204, 208 x 208, 212 x 212, 216 x 216, 220 x 220, 224 x 224, 228 x 228, 232 x 232, 236 x 236, 240 x 240, 244 x 244, 248 x 248, 252 x 252, 256 x 256, 260 x 260, 264 x 264, 268 x 268, 272 x 272, 276 x 276, 280 x 280, 284 x 284, 288 x 288, 292 x 292, 296 x 296, 300 x 300, 304 x 304, 308 x 308, 312 x 312, 316 x 316, 320 x 320, 324 x 324, 328 x 328, 332 x 332, 336 x 336, 340 x 340, 344 x 344, 348 x 348, 352 x 352, 356 x 356, 360 x 360, 364 x 364, 368 x 368, 372 x 372, 376 x 376, 380 x 380, 384 x 384, 388 x 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