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ALD. SULMAN WANTS

JUSTICE IN THE CASE.

The Fire Brigade did not do its Duty in the Late Drowning Tragedy the People Should Know it.

The city council held its last regular meeting last night. The session spread over two hours. The discussion of the Lake Erie spur on Colborne street occupied most of the time and was made interesting by a little sparring between Ald. Taylor and Ald. Liddy.

There were present at the meeting, Mayor Smith and Aldermen Sulman, Stephens, Scane, McCoig, Marshall, Taylor, Fleming and Liddy.

The requests of W. H. Gonne and the S. Hadley Co. to trim trees were referred to the Chief of Police.

The account of the fire department for \$65.55 was referred to the finance committee with power.

Mr. Banning wrote saying that he had paid the dog tax in Raleigh and he didn't think that he should be assessed in the city also.—Referred to finance.

An account of \$15 from W. R. Rennie for office help was referred to the finance committee.

The account of Wilson, Kerr & Pike for \$113.79 was referred to finance.

The account of the waterworks department for \$47.35 for water used in sprinkling the streets was referred to the board of works. It seems that according to the contract Lynch & Lynch have to pay this account.

An account of 40 cents from George Stephens & Co., was referred to the board of works.

The final estimate of \$28.76 in favor of Slidder & Blight on the Colborne street sewerage was referred to the board of works with power.

The account of the Sawyer-Massey Co. for \$370.00 was referred to the board of works. This is the last payment on the stone crusher.

J. R. Reid's account for \$118, clothes for the police, was referred to the property committee with power.

Coltart & Wilson's account of \$1.25 was referred to the property committee.

Coroner Bray asked for the use of the council chamber for Friday evening to hold a postponed inquest. Request granted.

W. E. Hamilton wrote suggesting that the city make an exhibit at the Pan-American exhibition. The exhibit might take the shape of a hand book setting forth the educational and manufacturing advantages and railway connections of Chatham. Referred to the finance committee.

The account of John Waddell of \$7 for

blankets on walk in front of his residence was referred to the board of works.

Chief Young reported that the assessors had given him the names of 312 persons liable for poll tax. Of these 89 could not be found and the balance 223 had each contributed a dollar. To the list of the assessors 115 names had been added so that in all \$338 had been collected and handed over to the city.

WINDSOR BIDDING FOR THEM.

The solicitor for Buller, Hunter & Co., the Ridgeway firm of windmill makers who propose erecting a factory here, wrote stating that the firm desired exemption from taxes for 20 years, free water and free light. Since the letter of the firm had appeared in The Planet, Windsor parties had written offering not only to obtain concessions from the city of Windsor, but also guaranteeing subscriptions of stock. Received.

The town clerk of Peterborough wrote asking the Maple City to join in presenting a memorial to the legislature, asking the passing of a law releasing municipalities from liability for injuries received by persons slipping on icy walks where the walks are not defective. Received.

In connection with this, Ald. Scane moved, seconded by Ald. McCoig, that an amendment to the law should be made so as to abolish all actions for damages owing to persons falling on the icy sidewalks when the walks are not defective. This amendment is desirable and this council recommend that the legislature be petitioned to pass it. The motion carried.

Ald. Scane said that it was a great question if such legislation could be granted.

FINANCE REPORT.

Ald. Stephens, for the finance committee, reported as follows:—Your committee on finance took into consideration the request of Geo. Lewis, asking to be assessed on part of lots 5 and 6, Prince St., and find the statutes will not admit of any change being made. Therefore recommend no action.

We carefully looked into the claim of E. Ball for refund of taxes and find that the N. B. 3-4 of lot 6, block 14, was assessed as resident and by mistake was also assessed on the non-resident roll. We recommend that the sum of \$203 be refunded.

Your committee met Messrs. Bull-

er, Hunter & Co.'s representative and is in favor of granting them exemption from taxation, less frontage and school taxes, furnish them free water and free light for the term of five years with the understanding that the time be extended providing they establish a windmill factory in the city of Chatham and carry on the business continuously during the above mentioned time. The report was adopted.

PROPERTY REPORT.

Your committee on public property, to whom was referred the following matters, beg to report:

That the petition asking for the removal of the electric light from the neighborhood of Park Bros' foundry, to Charteris St., be not granted at present, as a counter petition, largely signed, was presented to the council, and further, to deal with the matter in a satisfactory way would necessitate placing a light on Wada St.

That the petition asking for an electric light on Park St. crossing of the L. E. & D. R. R. be not granted at present, as the electric motor that supplies that part of the city is already severely taxed.

That the petition asking for an electric light on the corner of St. George and St. Patrick streets be granted if the superintendent is satisfied that the electric motor supplying that portion of the city can furnish the power.

We believe that a systematic trimming and thinning of trees would much improve the light on St. George street and we would recommend to the incoming council the desirability of tree-trimming and thinning throughout the city during the winter months when much of the expense incurred can be met by the fuel such would produce.

A SPECIAL REPORT.

Ald. Marshall, for the special committee composed of the finance and board of works committees, reported as follows:

After a consultation with the city solicitor, we agreed to allow Messrs. Lynch & Lynch, the use of the city's name to enforce their claim for cullage against the Massena Brick Co., if they saw fit, provided they fully indemnify the city against all loss, costs, or damages in any way connected therewith. Messrs. Lynch & Lynch having accepted the settlement, as reported upon the 26th inst., Nov. last, by the board of works, and having given the bonds of \$2,500 and deposited the \$1,000 as per report. Adopted.

BOARD OF WORKS.

Ald. Marshall also reported for the board of works as follows:—

That the account of Geo. Lamperd reduced to \$300, be paid.

That the account of J. A. Morton reduced to \$4.50, be paid.

That the account of J. J. Couzens, amounting to \$109.76, be paid upon Mr. Couzens entering into the usual bond guaranteeing his work.

That no action be taken in reference to the communications of the city engineer re bonds of \$100.

That we beg to report the following work done during the year, under the local improvement act:

Granolithic walk completed, \$5,201.45.

Granolithic walk in progress, \$505.17.

Asbestos walk, \$200.

Plank walk, \$2,851.50.

Wellington street sewer \$360.

Colborne street macadam road, \$3,306.00.

King street pavement, \$21,383.21.

Total, \$33,872.40.

Board of works expenditures, \$6,344.63.

Bridges, \$2,461.25.

Total expenditure, \$42,678.28.

The amount expended on the macadam road on Colborne street is about \$6 above the estimated cost, while the estimated cost of the King street pavement was \$22,000, and the actual cost is about \$12,000 less than that sum.

Although the board of works have expended \$460 more than the \$2,000 allowed for bridges this year, having rebuilt both the wooden bridges over the creek, repainted the foot bridge and painted and repainted both the river bridges, besides making extensive repairs to the piers and abutments, they have spent \$100 less than their estimated expenditure of \$7,500 for general work throughout the city.

The report was adopted.

PARKS AND CEMETERY.

Ald. Sulman for the parks and cemetery committee reported as follows:—The account of John A. Morton for \$18.43.—Report adopted.

Ald. Sulman asked the chairman of the property committee if he could say anything in relation to the action of the fire brigade Saturday night.

Dr. Fleming said he had heard remarks on the street which reflect on the city if they were true. The whole thing was investigated at the inquest Friday night and he felt any action on the part of the property committee would have been premature.

Ald. Sulman—Will the facts come out? If the firemen are innocent an injustice is being done the city and the fire department. If the brigade are guilty the council should know the kind of service they have rendered.

Ald. Liddy counselled delay and the matter dropped.

The policemen were granted \$5 each for the good work they did in collecting poll tax.

Ald. Sulman said that he had had some correspondence with Henderson and Cummings, of Walkerville, in reference to establishing a binder twine factory here.

Mr. Henderson had been in the city to-day. All the factory would ask was free light, free water and exemption from taxes.

Mayor Smith—Are they cunning?

Ald. Sulman—They are cunning.

At this point Ald. Scane and Ald. Stephens retired. These jokes were too much for them.

Ald. Sulman asked Ald. Marshall to take the chair and then the former moved a vote of thanks to Mayor Smith for the courteous manner in which he had treated all the councillors and the absence of all wrangling in the council during the mayor's residence.

Dr. Fleming said that it afforded him great pleasure to second the motion, and he praised the Mayor for the manner in which he had presided. He had shown no partiality and was always good-natured.

THE MAYOR'S SUGGESTIONS.

Mayor Smith, in replying to the vote of thanks, said he had scarcely deserved such warm praise but he had certainly done his best to carry on the business. He was glad to be able to look back on his last year in the council and feel that his work had been appreciated. There were a few things that he would like to call attention to. The first was the seeming disinclination of the older

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heads to remain in the council. The Mayor was glad to see the younger generation striving for municipal honors, but he preferred to have some of the more experienced men mixed in with the young men. Mayor Smith also drew attention to some anomalies that existed in the municipal government. As the law now exists the Mayor is a member of the board of water commissioners, and in that capacity has to transact business. Then the Mayor has to sit at the council board and hear his acts criticized. This could be avoided by the election of three water commissioners with the Mayor an ex-officio member of the board.

The second anomaly was the plan adopted of electing the council from the whole city and the school board from wards. It would be better to have the council uniform and the school trustees from the whole city also. The Mayor also called attention to the purchase of more land for the cemetery. He had noticed how crowded the cemetery was getting and he had made a point to ascertain what the land could be purchased for. He didn't know Mr. Scane was the owner until he went to learn the cost of the land and yet there were parties who said that this was just an enhanced value. Mr. Smith claimed to be the originator of the plan. As a heavy rate pay Mayor Smith wasn't going to vote to defraud himself. The Mayor also called attention to the manner in which the civic taxes might be decreased. For all extension of mains debentures should be issued and the mains should be extended so as to induce everyone to take the water. It has been the practice to take the money out of the waterworks treasury to extend the mains. This money should be paid into the city treasury and debentures issued to cover the main extension. This matter should be put to a vote of the people and they would sanction it.

The Mayor commended his remarks with an expression of the pleasure it afforded him to accept the kind vote of thanks tendered.

ACCOUNTS PASSED.

The following accounts were ordered paid:

Waterworks department, Tecumseh Park, \$40.

Waterworks department, Victoria Park, \$6.

Cucksey & Prithard, \$29.68.

Domination Express Company, \$50.

Separate school board, \$272.27.

R. Cooper, \$5.05.

W. R. Baxter, \$7.50.

Shen, \$30.00.

Postage, city collector's office \$11.50.

Mayor Smith, expenses to London, \$7.

Market Guide, \$2.40.

G. G. Fleming, for postage, \$16.92.

J. H. Blackburn, \$2.

John Pigott & Sons, \$60.74.

Waterworks department, sprinkling streets, and flushing sewers, \$322.12.

Pay sheets for past two weeks, \$170.55.

J. J. Couzens, \$109.76.

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We have plenty of Clothing to sell yet, but with a long stretch of winter ahead and low prices to help the selling, there'll be no trouble on that score.

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Fire department, hay \$10.22, wood \$5, laundry \$5.07, total \$20.29.
Waterworks department, market fountain, \$25.
Nagle and Hughes, \$15.61.
Wood for fire department, \$38.
Fountain & Canary 75 cents.
Police department, office expenses \$1.00.
Canadian Express Co., 40 cents.
Geo. Stephens & Co., \$3.36.
Thomas A. Johnson, Electric Co., \$18.
North American Gas Works, \$7.86.
McKeough and Trotter, 24 cents.
John A. Walker, \$5.

For twenty-four years Vapo-Cresoline has been extensively used for all forms of throat and bronchial troubles. All Druggists.

LOCAL BRIEFS

Bert. Moore, Detroit, is spending a few days with friends in the city.

The annual entertainment of the First Presbyterian Sunday school will take place this evening.

County Treasurer Shambhau has paid the following fees on the Macaulay inquest:—Jury \$12, examining physician \$10.

The clothesline thieves raided the yard of A. E. Pulkey, Cross St., Monday evening, and secured some valuable apparel.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Potter and daughter Gertie spent Christmas day with Squire Stephen Fennel at Newbury.

John Henderson, of the firm of Henderson & Cummings, was in the city yesterday, looking over the ground with a view to establishing.

Norval H. Baxter, who is employed on the Rochester, Mich., R.R., spent Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Baxter, Amelia street.

As is their usual custom Court Hope, No. 6,244, A. O. F., distributed a magnificent turkey to each of their four deceased members' widows for Christmas, which were highly appreciated by the recipients.

At the police court this morning John Burleigh was found guilty of cruelty to animals by working a lame horse. Humane Officer Dagueau prosecuted. Sentence was deferred one week.

On Sunday last at Oak Springs, Ontario, stable Peters arrested George LaFleur for the charge of clover seed stealing. He has been brought to this city.

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