

CATARACT COMPANY RENEWS ITS OFFER.

No String to Its Water Pumping Proposition.

Company Sends Letter to City Council

To be Presented at the Meeting To-night.

At the City Council meeting to-night the aldermen will have read to them a letter from the Cataract Power Company which should cause them to mark time before plunging the city into heavy expense for electric pumps at the Beach pumping station.

Killed His Wife.

Providence, R. I., Dec. 9.—In an attempt, as he claims, to frighten her, Clarence V. Johnson, a half-blood Sioux Indian, yesterday shot and killed his wife Evelyn, aged 24, at 101 Broadway, where she was employed as a domestic.

LAST BOAT LEFT.

Weather Mild at Fort William—Wheat Shipments.

Ottawa, Dec. 9.—(Special)—The Department of Trade and Commerce received a despatch from Fort William, stating that the last boat for the season was to leave at noon on Saturday.

DOMINION WINS.

DOMINION GOVERNMENT WILL NOT NEED TO PAY INDIAN ANNUITIES.

Important Decision by the Exchequer Court—Ontario and Manitoba Have to Look After Indians in Territory Between These Two Provinces.

Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 9.—(Special).—The Exchequer Court has handed out its judgment in the case of the Dominion against the Province of Ontario in regard to the Indians on the disputed territory between Manitoba and Ontario under the Northwest Angle treaty No. 3.

ANXIOUS TO GET PATTERSON ROAD.

WATERDOWN PEOPLE WILL TRY TO FIND SUITABLE GRADE.

Reeve Emory and Deputy Reeve Davis Appointed a Committee—Engineer Wingate Consulted.

A well attended meeting was held at Waterdown on Saturday evening when the question as to probability of getting Mr. John Patterson to run the Hamilton, Waterloo & Guelph Railway through Waterdown, was taken up.

MURDERED HIS PARTNER.

Confessed That He Wanted to Marry the Widow.

Murdered Man's Wife Also Arrested as an Accomplice.

Skull Had Been Fractured and His Throat Cut.

Iola, Kans., Dec. 9.—William Stewart, proprietor of a restaurant in East Iola, and member of a prominent family in Yates County, Kansas, was murdered near his place of business yesterday.



KING GUSTAVE, The New Ruler of Norway and Sweden.

Funeral of the Late King.

Stockholm, Dec. 9.—The body of King Oscar of Sweden who died here yesterday morning is being embalmed.

PTOMAINE POISON.

Mrs. Lockshaw, Fraser Avenue, Had a Severe Attack.

Mrs. Lockshaw, Fraser avenue, a newly laid out street in the east end, had a narrow escape, last night from ptomaine poisoning.

CHARGED \$75 FOR TWO MONTHS.

COUNCILLOR RAE ASKS VERY MODERATE FEE FOR SERVICES.

County Council May be Forced Into Litigation With West Flamboro—Will Meet Again To-morrow.

TRUE SYMPATHY.

Sunday School Association to Trust Methodist School.

Mr. J. Orr Callaghan, President of the Methodist Sunday School Association of the city, conveyed the sympathy of that body to the officers, teachers and scholars.

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Red Line Steamer Kroonland Meets With Accident.

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VESSEL LOST.

Fears That a Hundred and Twenty Men Were Drowned.

Painpol, France, Dec. 9.—Three Newfoundland fishing vessels, the Angler, Jacques and Croisade, with crews totaling 120 men, have been given up for lost, as they have not been reported since Oct. 1, when they left Miqelon.

ZULU CHIEF

Surrenders and There Will be No Need of an Expedition.

Pietermaritzburg, Natal, Dec. 9.—Dinizulu has surrendered to the authorities without resistance of any kind.

A Smoker's Christmas Box.

Rose Leaf smoking mixture is acknowledged to be the acme of perfection in a high-grade pipe tobacco.

The Man In Overalls

You can't buy them too soon now. That Sunfield scoop made my two contemporaries look silly.

The North End Improvement Society being located on the water front, might devote an evening to the discussion of whether Canada needs a navy or not.

John Patterson can hardly plead that he was the frost in the ground that put a hole in his route across the Dundurn ball field.

Myles Hunting must be a marvellous man if he can hypnotise everybody that goes down to look at the filtering basins.

The revetment wall is now one of the show places of the city.

One way to prevent overcrowding at the Bennett Theatre Sunday evening meetings would be to charge a quarter admission fee.

You'll have to carry home your parcels pretty soon.

I don't expect to have to refer to the matter again, but every time I pass Fearman avenue and see that celebrated cement sidewalk I have to laugh.

That Trades and Labor Council report was a vindication of Engineer Barrow. Now he will no more Barrow trouble.

Out at Hall's Corners they have capital sleighing. Here we have been having something like Indian summer.

Why doesn't Mr. Barker ask Pugsley for the names of the Judases who carried the bags? Would rather not, eh?

Perhaps the Salvation Army would like to send somebody down to take a look at the filtering basins.

Some people call it the Terminal College.

NON-UNION MEN.

A Thousand Ready to Start Work at Goldfield Mines.

Goldfield, Nev., Dec. 9.—An authoritative statement was made last night that sufficient men are already on the ground to work the mines beginning on Wednesday.

DEVOTION CLOSED.

Bishop Dowling Spoke at Cathedral Last Night.

A congregation that filled St. Mary's Cathedral to the doors was present last evening at the closing of the Forty Hours' Devotion.

JOHN LENNOX RE-ELECTED.

Mr. John Lennox, of this city, was re-elected vice-president of the Western Ontario Commercial Travelers' Association at the annual meeting held in London on Saturday.

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FUR-CREATING CRACKERS

Are here again in greater variety than ever to contribute to the mirth and merriment of the Christmas festivities.

ORATORIC OF THE CREATION

The full rehearsal for this week will be held on Thursday evening, Dec. 12th, for chorus and orchestra.

SAFETY DEPOSIT BOXES.

To rent at \$5 a year and upwards, for the storing of deeds, bonds, stocks, wills, silver and other valuables.

LETTER FROM HANNA ON LOCAL OPTION.

Kaiser Sight-Seeing

Mr. Wm. Simmons Thinks He Conceived the Idea.

CANADIAN CLUB.

NOT DECIDED YET.

Sunfield's Council May Not Ask for a New Trial.

DIDN'T SHOW UP.

"Japanese Honeymoon" Promoter Wanted at Court.

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Dealt With the Beach Voters Months Ago.

Explained Their Status to Saltfleet People.

Temperance People Decline the Onus.

A new phase of the trouble which has arisen over the bungling legislation of the Whitney Government in relation to the Beach has just come to light.

One of the effects of the enactment of the Burlington Beach Act will no doubt be to remove from the voters' list of the Township of Saltfleet the names of the residents of Burlington Beach for municipal purposes, but if you will refer to section 17 of the said Burlington Beach Act you will see that the commissioners are required to perform all the duties and powers provided for by the "Assessment Act" in the case of clerks, assessors and collectors in townships, and the voters' lists prepared under the direction of the commissioners by virtue of the said section 17 will of course be available for the vote on local option, should the question be called upon to submit the question to the electors.

It follows also as a matter of course that the said Township Council have all the powers incidental to their jurisdiction in this behalf over Burlington Beach, such, for instance, as the selection of polling places and the appointment of deputy returning officers for the purposes aforesaid.

Dr. Clark did not fold the Provincial Secretary's letter up and lay it away. He showed it to the Reeve of Saltfleet, Lieut.-Col. Ptolemy, and pointed out the part about the Beach and its voters' list. He also showed it to other members of the Council of Saltfleet. Nor did he stop there. He brought it to Hamilton and took it to the office of the Beach Commissioners, and there showed it to the Chairman, Mr. Van Allen. If the Beach residents have been disfranchised, therefore, it is evidently not the fault of the Saltfleet temperance people.

The opponents of local option are making the Beach hang the keynote of their campaign. They say the disfranchisement of the voters on the sand strip is sure to lead to costly litigation, and that the township will have to pay. The temperance people point to some nearby municipalities where local option was carried, and in which various processes of law were brought into play in an effort to upset it, but without avail. The costs had to be paid not by the municipalities, but by the parties who brought on the appeals. And they say it will be the same in Saltfleet.

At any rate a lively campaign and probably a subsequent hot legal battle will result.

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