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Travellers' Samples OF Carpets

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SERIES OF WILD SCENES FOLLOW CITY COUNCIL SESSION

Ald. Thompson and Stone, Say They Will Move for Ald. Austin's Disqualification—Latter Says he Wants Investigation of Ald. Stone's Election Methods—Old Assessors Re-appointed

The City Council session last night lasted only seven minutes—and was peaceful and business-like; the aftermath lasted nearly seven—and was wild and exciting. No sooner had the adjournment taken place than Ald. Thompson, Stone and Austin became entangled in a bitter wrangle in the cloak room, which lasted down the stairs and finished in a heated controversy between Ald. Austin and Stone in the City Clerk's offices.

All the aldermen were present when Ald. Scullard and Austin briefly moved the third reading of the by-law appointing Messrs. Gouge and French as assessors.

Ald. Stone and Thompson moved in amendment that the Council go into committee on the matter.

The Mayor said there were some new applicants, among the number Messrs. Dunlop, Reed, Hutchison and Mitton, but the meeting was not to consider new applications.

The third and final reading was carried on the following vote:

Yeas—Ald. Austin, Scullard, Edmondson, Mansey and Potter—5.

Nays—Ald. Stone, Benson, Radley and Thompson—4.

Adjournment followed and the aldermen trooped from the Council Chamber some laughing comment was passed on the unsuccessful aldermen.

This annoyed Ald. Thompson and, like a flash, he turned on Ald. Austin with a sensational charge, in which he was vigorously backed up by Ald. Stone. The two aldermen stated they purposed asking an investigation into the conduct of Ald. Austin in relation to the rental of a portion of the city market building, following which they purposed asking for Ald. Austin's disqualification.

The charge, as outlined by Ald. Stone in the heated discussion, was to the effect that Ald. Austin, through an employee named Mr. Killop had secured the rental of furniture store and sales rooms in the market building at what the aldermen claimed was one-third of their regular rental value; that the deal was made through Mr. Killop, to whom Ald. Austin privately paid the money, to avoid public exposure and that Ald. Austin's transaction made him liable to a series of fines before the County Judge and disqualification.

Ald. Austin claimed he had acted in good faith and the attack was merely taking advantage of the various technicalities to harass and annoy him. He countered by vigorously attacking Ald. Stone's election methods and challenging an investigation as to how and by what methods the alderman got his big vote at the civic polls.

"We will show you up on that market building and the sneaking tactics you pursued to hide it from the public," declared Ald. Thompson heatedly.

"Yes, and you know the city was losing three times the amount to private enrich you," added Ald. Stone.

"If you want to put me out on a

technicality, do it," challenged Ald. Austin. "I suppose you'll get the applause of the riff-raff and rooters for it."

"The people who elected me are not the low down and riff-raff. I'm proud of any citizen's vote be he rich or poor. I'm not like you sitting up high and mighty and unctious and not knowing my fellow men. I hope I know all my constituents every time I meet them."

"You are making an untruthful reflection and you know it," Ald. Austin responded warmly. "I never made any such reflection. I said that if you went ahead and had me disqualified you'd only get the applause of the rooters."

"I'm proud of my vote if it was the riff-raff and rag-tail," retorted Ald. Stone. "Let the people's next January be judges."

"Are you proud of the way you got it?" said Ald. Austin striding over to his opponent. "An investigation as to the election methods pursued by you, Ald. Stone, would make some very interesting and embarrassing disclosures. What methods did you adopt to get your vote? I think the people would like to know. I'm glad I didn't get my vote by the practices you used to get yours."

"Last year," was Ald. Stone's fiery response. "Mayor Cowan went ahead and disqualified three of our Public School trustees and you backed him up in it. And all the time sitting there right in front of him was a man—you, Ald. Austin—in the same position and blacker than ever they were! And you know it. You're a bright specimen of an honest man."

"My reputation's as good as yours—and I hope better," was Ald. Austin's stinging reply. "You can go right ahead with your technicalities."

"And I will, too. Rest assured that the whole ugly underhand game will be shown up."

"I have no fear of the exposure. I voted in good faith throughout and have nothing to be ashamed of."

"I'd be ashamed to run round the streets telling street corner stories about my colleagues. You went whispering around that I was trying to hold up the town. Why didn't you get up like a man and say it to my face, Ald. Austin?"

"I think people had little to do running to you with stories of what I said. But I want you to understand, Ald. Stone, that that's what I said and I would have said it at the Council had I got a chance."

In vain Mayor Marshall and Ald. Scullard sought to stem the heated controversy. Interested citizens hovered listening at the doors and it was some time ere the angry aldermen desisted and left for home.

Both aldermen declared that they would go ahead, Ald. Stone with the investigation and disqualification proceedings against Ald. Austin, the latter with the request that Ald. Stone's election methods be looked into.

EDITORIAL

AN ASSESSMENT COMMISSIONER.

The City Council are to be congratulated on at length securing a settlement of the much-versed question of the appointment of assessors—and it is generally thought that they made the best of existing circumstances.

The Planet, however, trusts that this will be the last time it will be necessary for Chatham to appoint temporary assessors. The aldermen should look around for the purpose of locating an efficient and energetic man to take up the duties of assessment commissioner. Such an appointment would be of great value to the city and give it the permanent services of a good and capable official. Besides his data and information will be the property of the city, in itself a valuable asset.

The Planet trusts the Council will give this matter their early and serious consideration.

NORMAL SCHOOL FOR CHATHAM.

The announcement that the Education Department purposes establishing three new Normal schools should set the people of Chatham busy.

The Maple City should have one. Chatham holds a premier position in educational affairs and it is satisfactory to know that Chairman Paxton and the members of the Public School Board are taking up the matter promptly.

Let everyone lend a hand.

ROOF CAVES

Canopy Supports of Market Building Give Way Under Weight of Snow

This morning citizens were startled to note that the canopy coverings on the sides of the new market shed had given way to the extent of 10 or 12 inches under the weight of the light snow fall. The accident has occasioned considerable comment. The fault appears to be in the construction of the brackets, which are not designed properly to cover the contingency of the weight they must carry. If the fall of snow had been heavy—or such as may be expected at any time now—the whole construction might have given way.

It is up to the Council to immediately investigate this matter and have it attended to. Brackets of sufficient strength to meet all requirements should be insisted on from designer and contractor, otherwise the city may get in for a serious, if not fatal, damage suit.

Just A Word ABOUT—

Toilet Paper

There are as many qualities and grades of Toilet Paper as there are of cloth or any other large articles of merchandise.

There is paper put into rolls and called toilet paper that is nothing but common manilla paper. Beware of that kind, it will clog the sewers and make an expensive job for the man of the house some day.

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FAVOR CAIRNS

Former Member of C. C. I. Staff Made Close Run for Liberal Candidacy in Saskatchewan

The Prince Albert Times, owned by Messrs. J. W. Young and R. Laurie, formerly of this city, says:

"The result of the Convention held here Tuesday was no surprise," said a Federal Liberal Wednesday morning. "It was generally understood that the Attorney-General had to deliver the nomination to Mr. McCraney. It was feared for a while that Saskatoon would spoil the arrangement, as they were anxious to have J. F. Cairns placed in nomination. However, the Convention was fixed so as to preclude Saskatoon having any say and the nomination was handed over to Mr. McCraney as agreed upon. Mr. Cairns stated that he also had promises but the Saskatoon representative is young in Liberal politics yet and Mr. McCraney can give him pointers on how to secure the fulfillment of political promises."

TIME INSPECTOR

A. H. VonGuten, jeweller, has received the appointment of time inspector for the Chatham, Wallaceburg & Lake Erie Electric Railway. Mr. VonGuten's establishment will be the headquarters for the bench of work for this railroad. Mr. VonGuten is already local time inspector for the Pere Marquette Railroad. Standard clocks will have to be installed by Mr. VonGuten in all of the offices and cars of the company and he will also have the inspection of all watches carried by the company's employees.

It is safer to trust your eyes than your ears when a man argues religion while his wife carries in the water.

NO OFFERS

The Records Show no Competition for Rental of Market Rooms—\$200 Deposit Required

An examination of the civic records shows that no other offers were received for the tenancy of the rooms in the market building held by Ald. Austin, and the statement of Ald. Stone that three times the amount Ald. Austin pays could have been secured has no recorded or official justification.

In order to move before the judge for Ald. Austin's disqualification it will be necessary, under Section 220 of the Municipal Act, for the applicants to deposit \$200 as guarantee of costs in event of their failing to prove their case. Some doubt that, with this consideration in view, the threatened proceedings will be continued.

CHILDREN'S FANCY DRESS BALL

To-morrow evening the energetic committee of ladies who are interesting themselves in the care of unfortunate children, will give a fancy dress ball in Elks' Hall at 7 o'clock. The object is one that commands itself to every citizen, and it is hoped the ball will be liberally patronized.

The indulgence of grief is the blunder of a life.

Some people conjure up trouble and then imagine that they are thus bearing up very heavy crosses.



Men's Shoes

We have fixed it so this season that every man who gloats over the possession of the most righteously good shoes made for the price he wants to pay, **has to come here.** If you pay **\$2.00, \$2.50 or \$3.00** for Shoes, **this is the store** above all others. The shoes will **prove it**

Geo. W. Cowan