

FIGHTING FOR FIFTY YEARS.

Half a Century of Litigation Over the Bell Estate - Other Cases at Osgoode Hall.

Mr. Justice Falconbridge yesterday gave judgment granting a writ of habeas corpus to bring up the body of Ethel Victoria Robertson, 18 months of age, and now in the possession of her mother.

Before Mr. Justice Robertson the motion on the return of the habeas corpus in the matter of the Stenitz infante came up for argument and judgment was reserved.

Thomas Bell, the owner of land taken by the city of Toronto for Markham-street, between Queen and Robinson-streets, died leaving a will which was made in 1840.

The heirs have been fighting over the estate since his death, and the Supreme Court has just given judgment in the case, which will in all probability settle the matter.

Yesterday an order was made by Mr. Justice Robertson allowing the city to pay some \$10,000 and interest thereon to the court, the parties interested will have to apply to the court for payment out.

Before the Court of Appeal the case of Thomas Hodgins, Q.C., master in ordinary, against the City of Toronto, in which the Bell Telephone Company was argued. The action was brought in the County Court for damages for the destruction of shade trees in front of the plaintiff's residence in Bloor-street, and judgment was given in favor of the plaintiff.

Mr. Hodgins says that the trees were ruined by excess pruning. The motion for the appointment of a third valuator in the matter of the Baldwin lease came up again before Mr. Winchester.

The motion was granted, and the case was enlarged till Wednesday. In the meantime the parties are to agree possible on a third man, but if they cannot do so the acting master will name one on Wednesday.

NO STATE AID FOR THEM.

The Baptists Protest Against the Methodist's Claim for Government Help.

The Baptist Ministerial Association of yesterday morning was largely attended. Revs. G. Grinnell of England and E. J. Stobo of the French Evangelical Association and the Quebec Bible Society, were introduced, the latter addressing the association upon his works.

Prof. Trotter read an interesting and able paper on "The Church of the Future." In the discussion, Rev. O. C. S. Wallace wondered if the "Church of the Future" would apply to the Government at Ottawa for aid in its missionary work as had the Methodist.

Prof. Trotter moved that a committee be appointed to draw up a resolution to be presented to the Government at Ottawa protesting against the grant of any state aid for religious purposes as has been requested by the denomination of the Methodist Church.

The following were appointed a committee: Drs. Hand and Thomas, Revs. James Grant, O. C. S. Wallace and E. J. Stobo.

The secretary was also requested to write to the various Baptist associations asking them to take vigorous action in this matter.

Architect Lennox On the Court House Work.

In reference to the new Court House, Architect Lennox has addressed the following letter to the Mayor:

Mr. Mayor, I am extremely anxious that this work should be proceeded with more rapidly. It is in my opinion of the utmost importance that this work should, at the present time, be kept following its giving employment to about 200 men.

I regret to say that the aim of the contractors apparently is not to fairly live up to, but rather to break through the contract, and if this policy is allowed on one petty pretext or another then the city will be left to the mercy of the contractors and the door will be opened for imposition and all sorts of claims.

I am fighting for the city's interests, and shall continue to do so, and I fully believe that I ought, and will receive the support of yourself and all right-minded men.

In this guaranting the city's interests, and compelling the contractors to carry out their contract, I am merely discharging what appears to me a plain duty, and although it may for a while be an uphill struggle I have no fear of the result if I only get the support to which I claim to be justly entitled at the hands of yourself and the committee.

Asphalt Pavements.

The Acting City Engineer will recommend that asphalt pavements be laid in Yonge from King to Bloor, and on King from Sherbourne to Simcoe. If this recommendation is not petitioned against by the property owners work on the improvements will commence with the first week in June.

The cost of the Yonge-street pavement will be \$250,000, and the cost to the local property owners, for 10 years, will be about \$15,000 a year. The old block pavement is already paid for, so that the assessment for the asphalt will be the only road tax the taxpayers on the street will be forced to assume.

In the case of King-street there are three pavements yet to be made on account of the cedar roadway, but it is not intended that the first levy on account of the cost of the asphalt on that street shall be made before 1904.

THE QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY.

Some of the Arrangements for Duty Celebrating the Event.

One of the most interesting events to take place in the city to-day will be the presentation of colors to the 4th Highlanders. The Thirtieth of Hamilton will arrive by boat about 9 o'clock, and with the Kilties will parade on the old cricket grounds, Bloor-street, north of the University, at 2.30.

Half an hour later His Excellency the Governor-General will inspect the troops and present the colors. Mrs. Merritt, who has given the colors, has invited a number of guests, and a space will be roped off for them.

The Toronto and Montreal will play lacrosse on the new Roadside grounds. The XIII Battalion Band of Hamilton will play at Centre Island from 3 o'clock till 5, and at Hanlan's afternoon and evening. The Judge Brothers and Jules Keller will perform and Heistam's Band will play.

Of the out-of-town excursions perhaps none will be more enjoyable than the annual outing of the drygoods clerks to Hamilton by Grand Trunk, leaving at 8.30.

West Toronto District L.O.O.F. will have an excursion to Berlin, where sports will be held in the park. Organismen from other towns will be present. Train will leave Union Station at 8 o'clock and Parkdale at 8.10.

Winchester Lodge, C.O.O.F., will hold an outing by the Empress of India to Buffalo, the Falls and St. Catharines. The boat will leave at 7.15.

The L.O.O.F. all will excursion to the Falls and Buffalo will be enjoyable. The train will leave Union Station at 7.30.

The City will give a picnic at Niagara and Lewiston, leaving (Geddes' Wharf at 7 and 8. The Lakeside gives a pleasant sail up the Welland Canal.

The railways will all give reduced fares. The games at the baseball grounds between the Detroit Athletic Club and Varsity will be good ones. The morning game is at 10.30 and the afternoon at 4.

The theatres will give matinees at 2 o'clock. At the Grand is "The County Fair," at Jacobs & Sparrow's, "Beveridge" and at the Academy "A Social Season."

The Museum will give three performances in the afternoon and three in the evening. A picnic and concert will be held in the House of Providence grounds, Power-street.

The steamer Merritt and Chocoma will run to Victoria Park, where the Body Guards' band will play.

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