

ASK QUARTER OF MILLION.

Nothing Small About Board of Works Estimates.

Large Amount of Asphalt and Brick Work Proposed.

Board Will Not Amend the Snow By-law.

For the first time in as many blue moons as you would care to mention there was no squabbling this year over the cement contract. When the Board of Works opened tenders last night the aldermen disposed of the matter in a businesslike way, accepting the lowest tender, that of the Lakefield Portland Cement Company. This is the concern that supplied the cement last year. The city will make quite a saving on cement this year, as compared with last year, when it paid \$1.81 a bag. The Lakefield tender for 1908 is \$1.63, a saving of 23 1/2¢ a bag.

Seven tenders were received, as follows:

Lakefield Portland Cement Company, \$1.63.
Atlas Company, New York, \$1.70 1/2.
Belleville Portland Cement Company, \$1.70 1/2.
Thomas Ramsay, Hamilton, \$1.74 1/2.
Stinson-Reed Supply Company, Montreal, \$1.75.

George T. Mann, London, \$1.68 1/2.
Canadian Portland Cement Company, Deseronto, \$1.74.
"The Lakefield is the lowest; we used it last year, and it gave good satisfaction," said Chairman Sweeney.

A representative of the company assured the aldermen that the city would be supplied with cement from the same source as last year, and on motion of Ald. Jutten, seconded by Ald. Lewis, it was awarded the contract.

Is Quite Modest.

The Board of Works is quite modest in its demands for an appropriation this year. In the estimates it asks for only \$224,000. Those who have been using the pruning knife on the general estimates had figured on \$45,000.

"We will consider all these estimates at a caucus on Friday," said the Mayor, with a knowing smile.

Some of the aldermen favored submitting a by-law at once for permanent road work. The estimates in detail are as follows:

Herkimer street, Locke to Queen, to complete	\$2,000 00
Asphalt, Hughson street, King	3,500 00
Asphalt, Merrick street, MacNab to York	3,805 00
Asphalt, MacNab, Merrick to Vine	2,217 22
Asphalt, King William, John to Mark	2,507 44
Asphalt, John, King William to Main	3,435 77
Asphalt, John, Main to Jackson	1,576 60
Asphalt, Main, King to Main	2,182 00
Asphalt material in connection with relaying tracks, James, King to Main	1,000 00
Asphalt and brick gutters, John street, Hunter to Jackson	2,016 25
Asphalt pavement repairs	6,000 00
Salaries, engineering office and surveying expenses	2,000 00
Advertising, stationery, printing and horse keep	1,000 00
Cement walk, sidewalk and crossing repairs	2,500 00
General street cleaning	18,500 00
General snow cleaning	4,500 00
Pavement cleaning	7,000 00
General roadway repairs	25,000 00
General expense account	400 00
Victoria avenue crossing, G. T. R. city proportion	230 00
New street sweepers	350 00
Crusher power	500 00
James and King streets intersection, renewing	1,125 00
Asphalt, Main street, Hughson to Walnut, 6,239 yards, at \$1.15	7,174 85
Brick, James street, Stuart to Bay	31,340 00
Brick, Barton, James to Sherman avenue	78,821 00
Brick, King, Locke to Bay, track allowance only	11,500 00
Brick, York, Queen to Dundurn, track allowance only	11,500 00
Asphalt, King, Locke to Bay, outside track only	8,555 00
Asphalt, York, Queen to Dundurn, outside track only	7,757 00
	\$250,472 87

Street lighting	
251 gas lamps at \$25 per year	\$6,275 00
33 gas lamps at \$30 per year	9,900 00
400 are lamps at \$25 per year	10,000 00
10 are lamps at \$82.50 per year	825 00
555 kerosene lamps at \$25 per year	13,875 00
	\$44,380 00

Not Settled Yet.

Cyrus A. Birge and J. Orr Callaghan appeared on behalf of the Canadian Screw Company in connection with a dispute over about a thousand feet of land in the exchange for part of the company's property, north of the City Hospital grounds for the old city yards last year. The understanding was that equal amount of land were to be exchanged. The Screw Company discovered that the city yards were a thousand feet short when the land was measured. The Mayor contended that the company agreed when the city sold the land and of Cathcart street for \$800 that the company promised not to make a claim for any alleged shortage.

Mr. Birge and Mr. Callaghan said they did not understand it that way. Secretary Brennan however read the resolution passed by the board last year. Mr. Callaghan said there were members of the committee last year who admitted after the matter was dealt with, that they did not understand the matter.

"I consider it was a hold up and unfair," said Mr. Callaghan.

Ald. Lewis said he thought the city had dealt very generously with the company and referred to the expense the city was put to in charging the site of the city yard.

"Our company is out \$25,000 on the deal," said Mr. Birge.

Mr. Callaghan said that a mistake of a thousand feet had been found in the city's figures. The Engineer was instructed to report at the next meeting.

Wouldn't Amend It.

Dr. Philip, one of the prominent citizens who was fined for not cleaning the snow in front of his premises, appeared and asked the board to recommend the Council to amend the snow by-

law. Dr. Philip told of how he had been treated and Mayor Stewart and the aldermen agreed that in his case they did not think he should have been fined. Dr. Philip talked of it as being most unjust and said he hoped he would never have to suffer the indignity again of appearing in the police court.

The Mayor said he had asked the Chief of Police to instruct his men to exercise more precaution in having citizens summoned. The Mayor was very strongly opposed to amending the snow by-law, which, he declared, was as near perfection as possible. The aldermen declined to make any change. The Mayor, however, thought favorable of a suggestion made by Dr. Philip that the Magistrate should try snow cases in his private office.

Want An Increase.

A deputation of teamsters, headed by John Freeth, appeared and asked the committee to increase the teamsters wages from 47¢ to 55¢ an hour. A sub-committee will think it over.

MIXED MARRIAGES.

BISHOPS STILL HAVE POWER TO GRANT DISPENSATIONS.

Archbishop Bruchesi Explains the Situation—Applications Were Becoming Altogether Too Numerous in Montreal.

Montreal, Feb. 18.—There is no truth whatever in the report that the Pope is about to withdraw the permission given to the Bishops to grant dispensation for mixed marriages," declared his Grace Archbishop Bruchesi to-day. "Of course," his Grace continued, "the Pope has full authority in this matter, but just as in the civil government of the country powers are entrusted to the officers of the Government, so in the Church his Holiness entrusts to the Bishops certain functions which they discharge under his authorization. Thus, in the matter of mixed marriages, his Holiness, recognizing that the Bishops are necessarily better informed of local conditions in each country, leave in their hands the granting of dispensations for such mixed marriages."

While speaking on the subject of mixed marriages, his Grace referred to his recent pronouncement on the subject. "I have never declared," he said, "that I would never grant dispensations for such marriages. The laws of the Church provide for such dispensations, and therefore they are recognized as possible. What I did declare, and what I wish to reiterate and state, and upon my people, is that these dispensations will not be granted as they have been in the past. We had come to a point where the facility of obtaining such dispensations was becoming an abuse, and I determined, with the approval of the chapter and clergy of the archdiocese, that a stop must be put to the practice."

A large number of applications for dispensations have been made since his Grace issued his pastoral on the subject, but in each and every case, upon the authority delegated to him by the Pope, his Grace had refused to grant the dispensation. He has had no reason so far to regret his action in the matter.

"I may add," declared his Grace, "that my pastoral on the subject has received the express approval of his Holiness as well as of the Propaganda, as expressed in the letters which they have written me."

THREE WERE KILLED.

An Explosion in the Powder Mill at Wharton, N. J.

Wharton, N. J., Feb. 18.—An explosion in the mixing department of the General Explosive Company in this village today killed three men, broke nearly every window in the stores and residences in Wharton, and some windows in Dover, two miles distant. The killed are: Joseph Hough, one of the officials of the company; David Utter and James Keven. They were blown to pieces in the explosion. A Delaware, Lackawanna & Western express train was passing the powder works at the time of the explosion. Every window on one side of the train was broken, several passengers were severely cut by flying glass, and many others slightly hurt.

TORONTO POSTMASTER.

Mr. W. B. Rogers Likely to Receive the Appointment.

Toronto, Feb. 18.—It is understood the appointment of Mr. W. B. Rogers, Secretary-Treasurer of the Charles Rogers & Sons Company, Limited, as postmaster of Toronto will be announced immediately. The position has been vacant since the death of the late T. C. Patteson, the duties of the office being performed by the Chief Superintendent for Canada, Mr. George Ross.

Mr. W. B. Rogers is well known to the business men of Toronto, having for years been associated with the furniture firm of which he is Secretary. He has also been active in politics in South Toronto, having contested the riding in the Liberal interests in more than one election contest.

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DIVORCE RECOMMENDED.

The Senate May Grant One to Albert Walker.

Ottawa, Feb. 18.—Senator G. W. Ross' proposal to appoint under secretaries was further discussed this afternoon, and the resolution withdrawn at the request of Sir Richard Cartwright, who said action could hardly be taken at once.

Senator Kitchener, chairman of the divorce committee of the Senate, presented a report recommending the granting of divorce to Albert Walker, of York County, Ontario.

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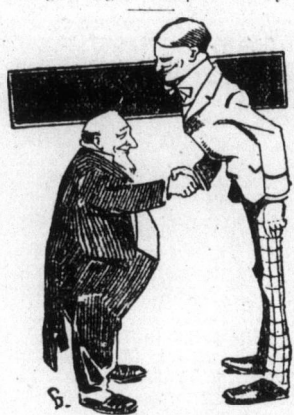
Fun for Times Readers

A Cook's Confession.

Several ladies sat after a card party at the University Club a few mornings ago, discussing the virtues of their husbands. "Mr. Bingleton," said one of them, referring to her life partner, "never drinks and never swears—indeed, he has no bad habits." "Does he ever smoke?" some one asked. "Yes, he likes a good cigar just after he has eaten a good meal. But, I suppose, on an average, he doesn't smoke more than once a month,"—Philipine Gossip.

A Human Failing.

"Pa, what is the meaning of inconsistency?" asked Freddie. "Inconsistency, my son," explained pa, "means a man who grows all day and then goes home and kicks the dog for barking at night."—Harper's Weekly.



AN EYE TO BUSINESS.

"So Gailley really had to pay Miss Yerner five thousand for breach of promise?"

"Yes, and now he wants to marry her for her money."

Those Fool Questions.

A man entered a drug store in a hurry and asked for a dozen two-grain quinine pills. "Shall I put 'em in a box, sir?" the clerk asked, as he counted them out. "Oh, no," replied the customer. "I want to roll them home."—Montreal Star.

The Succession of Parts.

The Old One—In adopting a theatrical career, you are entering a touchy and jealous profession. Keep guard over your tongue.

The New One—Oh, I've found out that I'll have ample opportunity to think before I speak!—Puck.

Had Better Ask Him.

Gresham P. Lyons, of San Francisco, disesteemed in New York the other day, says the New York Sun, the movement for the protection of witnesses in law courts that he had recently inaugurated. "We know," said Mr. Lyons, "how witnesses are browbeaten and insulted by lawyers the country over. Well, I want to see them protected from such damnable treatment. If my movement succeeds a cross-examining lawyer will have to put up with a witness."

A CORNER IN OYSTERS.

Thousands of Barrels Lost Through Montreal Dealers' Greed.

Montreal, Feb. 18.—Thousands of barrels of oysters will be thrown into the river by the local dealers at the end of the season or about the middle of April owing to the dealers being unable to dispose of them, the result of the exceedingly high prices which prevailed throughout the past autumn and the present winter.

This statement is confirmed by local fish dealers, who say the number of barrels which it will be necessary to sacrifice will be greater than at any time in the history of the trade. The reasons given for this state of affairs are principally that prices have been almost prohibitory, as the result of the action of some Quebec and Ontario dealers, who in the beginning of the season believed the public would pay any price, and consequently just as soon as the season opened ordered their agents at the various oyster grounds in the Maritime Provinces to take all oysters they could lay their hands on and pay the price.

A dealer, whose authority is unquestioned, states that last year upwards of 2,000 barrels of good Malpeques went to the city dumps, and that this year the amount will exceed that by a good many hundreds of barrels.

GREEKS TURNED BACK.

Twenty-five Are Refused Entrance at Vancouver.

Vancouver, B. C., Feb. 18.—At New Westminster to-day a penalty of \$600 or twelve months in prison was imposed on Japs coming from Portland and refusing to obey the provisions of the Natal act. Stipendiary Magistrate Pittendreich said they would be admitted to bail if they furnished sureties of \$250 each that they will leave the Province within a month.

Acting under the Dominion order in Council forbidding the landing of persons classed as immigrants not coming direct from their native land, Inspector Elliott held up and finally rejected 25 Greeks who came from Seattle by the steamer Inopis this morning. They were coming in under contract to work with a gang on railway construction at Cloverdale. They were supplied by a Greek boss at Portland, Oregon, under an agreement with the sub-contractor by which the Greek padrone was to get a rake-off.

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AFRAID OF HIM.

Finland Terrorists Flee From New Governor.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 18.—The appointment of General Von Boeckman to be governor of Finland has produced a great degree of excitement among the revolutionists and terrorists, who in the past have found Finland a convenient base of operations. They are now fleeing abroad in great numbers, most of them going to Sweden. This exodus will greatly facilitate the work of the Russian police in guarding the lives of prominent personages in St. Petersburg. The Russ announces to-day that further reinforcements of Cossacks will be sent to Finland.

STOPPED TRAFFIC.

Omaha, Neb., Feb. 18.—A foot of snow, drifted four to six feet deep in many places, greeted the people of Omaha to-day. Traffic within the city was practically at a standstill for the entire afternoon. Trains from western points were from one to eight hours late.

SNOW IN CHICAGO.

Chicago, Feb. 18.—One of the heaviest snow storms of the winter commenced here at 9 o'clock to-day and rapidly increased in intensity. The snow fell in blinding sheets and was piled in drifts by a 30 mile gale. Street car and elevated railroad traffic and telephone service was badly interrupted.

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Montreal, Feb. 18.—Archbishop Bruchesi denies the report given currency here that an order is on the way to America from the Vatican, withdrawing the power of the bishop to grant dispensations for mixed marriages. Mgr. Bruchesi also denies that it is his intention to refuse all requests for mixed marriage dispensations in future.

Discarded.

We have discarded our old prices to suit the occasion. Working shirts 35¢, cashmere socks 19¢, working pants 81¢, overalls 50¢, oil clothing, rubber boots and shoes at cost.—M. Kennedy, 210 James street north.

CHESTER GILLETTE MUST DIE.

Court of Appeal Confirms the Conviction and Sentence.

Albany, Feb. 18.—The Court of Appeals decrees that Chester Gillette of Cortland must die in the electric chair for the murder of Grace, or "Billy," Brown of South Ouzie, Chenango county, at Big Moose Lake, in the Adirondacks, on July 11, 1906. The court affirms the judgment of conviction of murder in the first degree and the sentence of death, rendered at the extraordinary term of the Supreme Court in Herkimer county, held by the order of the late Governor Higgins.

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LABOR MEMBER COMPELLED TO PAY DAMAGES AND COSTS.

Montreal, Feb. 18.—Mr. Alphonse Verville, M. P., must pay Mr. Mederic Martin, M. P., \$250 damages, besides costs of a suit in the Superior Court and Court of King's Bench, according to a decision handed down by the latter court. The suit was entered by Ald. Martin shortly after his election to the House of Commons, in reply to remarks sent him by a candidate by Mr. Verville, who was supporting the Labor candidate. The Superior Court considered that Mr. Martin had suffered damages through Mr. Verville.

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