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METRE WAS CONSCIENTIOUS

Jailor Davidson Pays Big
Electric Light Bill But
Metre Makes It Up

"LIGHT" BILLS INDEED

Jailor John Davidson has been having some fun with the Electric Light people lately. He noticed that his bill for electric light have been rather high, and he set about to find the reason. He was not at work long before he found a leak in the metre. The bill for the previous quarter was about \$80, and he was sure he was not using that much light. The leak in the metre explained it all.

"It reminded me of a story I heard some time ago of an Irishman," he told The Planet. "Pat was arrested for being intoxicated and when he appeared before the judge, he gave a certain lecture. Pat claimed that he had not been very drunk."

"What do you mean by telling me that?" said the Judge. "Judging by your face you have been drunk for a week!"

"Well, son," replied Pat, "it's this way—my two registers more than I consume."

"That was the way with my electric light," continued Mr. Davidson. "But after I fixed the leak the bill came in for about \$20 for the next quarter. The firm couldn't understand it and sent two different men to read the metre. They both made it the same. The next quarter the bill came down to \$5, and I was beginning to think that I had a pretty good metre."

"You can imagine my surprise when the metre for the next quarter showed that I didn't owe the company anything, but according to the readings, the company owed me. I didn't get the money, though, and the next day the metre was taken to the Gas House to be tested. I shall always believe to my dying day that that metre knew that it had given me the worst of it before, and was trying to make it right between the company and me."

BIG ROW ON EMMA STREET

Citizen Complains That
Poor Concrete Is Going In
New Pavement

THE FAULT OF THE MIXER

There was trouble to burn over on Emma street yesterday, and it is not all over yet, if the assertions of some citizens in that neighborhood are to be taken into consideration.

It appears that the concrete being laid beneath the new pavement over there did not suit some of the inquisitive ratepayers who took the trouble to investigate. Yesterday afternoon one of the residents on the street went to Ald. James Massey with the complaint that the concrete being put down in spots was nothing more than loose sand and stones. He said that it was not being mixed properly, and that the upper coating of bitumast was being rolled on top of this.

Ald. Massey spoke to the City Engineer about it last night, and that gentleman said that the matter had been attended to. He said it was just a case of carelessness on the part of the young man who was running the mixer. He admitted that the concrete had been found to be defective in places, but he said that immediate steps would be taken to remedy the condition of the spots which had been complained of.

It is the opinion of many of the ratepayers that the inspector should exercise a little more vigilance in seeing that no botch work is done in connection with public pavements, where the people's interests are so vitally at stake.

The people of Emma street are paying for the pavement, and they had a perfect right to investigate, and see that their pavement was being properly put down, in accordance with specifications.

NARROW ESCAPE

Little Miss Kathleen Shen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Con. Shen, had a narrow escape from perhaps serious injury last evening. While attempting to cross the street, at the corner of Gray and Queen, she was knocked down by a passing delivery rig.

The driver pulled the horse to a standstill as quickly as possible, but not before the little girl received a nasty gash to her hip.

Board Of Water Commissioners And The Property
Committee Meet Jointly To Discuss A
Very Important Question

CITY ENGINEER INSTRUCTED TO DRAW UP PLANS

Chatham Faces A Serious Crisis In The Present Cramped
Condition Claimed To Be Much In Evidence
At The Municipal Building

A joint meeting of the Property Committee of the City Council and the Board of Water Commissioners was held in Harrison Hall last evening, for the purpose of considering what is to be done with regard to the present crisis in which the city finds itself with regard to its waterworks and electric light departments.

The result of the meeting was a resolution passed to the effect that the City Engineer present a report to the City Council, giving a rough estimate of what a new electric light station, or a new waterworks building would cost, and which would be most advisable for the city to erect.

This will be the first step towards framing up a by-law to be put before the people at the January elections authorizing the building of either a new waterworks building or a new electric light station.

Those present at last night's meeting were Chairman Potter, Ald. Massey and Ald. Thompson of the Property Committee; Chairman W. D. Sheldon and Dr. G. W. Cornell, of the Board of Water Commissioners; City Engineer E. B. Jones, Secretary Weir, of the Water Board, and Fire Chief Richard Frith.

Ald. Potter explained that the meeting had been called jointly with the Water Commissioners, because both the members of that Board and the Property Committee were vitally interested in the question, now before the city, and it was the best plan that they should get together and thresh the matter out. The electric light department is up against it, said Ald. Potter, as the machinery there at the present time is taxed to its utmost capacity to supply the present number of lights, and the Council are continually being petitioned for more lights. The result is that the Council are not in a position to supply these lights. The present machinery is good enough, but there would have to be added to supply the ever-increasing demand, and the department is so crowded for space that no more machinery can be installed. He said that he had thought of the advisability of installing gas engines to pump the city's water, but this was hardly practicable.

Engineer Jones—If the natural gas gave out at any time we would be up against it.

Commissioner Cornell—I notice by the Great Home Journal that we may be able to secure Niagara power in this city. If we could get that it would greatly help us out of this difficulty.

The Mayor gave it as his opinion that Niagara power would not be one, two, three, or four years away, but that it would be used for the city.

Chairman Sheldon said that in order to have the waterworks properly equipped, another pump and another boiler would have to be installed.

Engineer Jones—The present plant was built wrong in the first place. It is altogether too small and awkward for present requirements.

Chairman Sheldon—The best thing that we can do under the circumstances as far as I am concerned is to go up on the hill and build a modern waterworks plant, where we would not be cramped for space as at present, and where we could make additions as the city grows in size.

Engineer Jones—In that case the old building would be used for an electric light plant exclusively. At the present time we are cramped for space in both departments. The waterworks would be better situated some distance back from the river anyway. It would give us a chance to put well down in the intervening space, which would be much more satisfactory, as at the present time the water seeps in from the banks on the occasion of every freshet.

Ald. Potter—Then the better way would be to leave the electric light plant in the present location and move the waterworks plant into a new modern building up on the hill. What do you think about it, Mr. Mayor?

Mayor Marshall—If we cannot generate sufficient power to light the city, and our waterworks plant is cramped in the present location, why have we got to do something to remedy matters.

Ald. Potter—The machinery is strained to its utmost at the present time, and the strain is hard on it. The Mayor—The best plan would be to secure estimates on what a new building would cost, and have a report brought in to the City Council on the matter, with a view to submitting a by-law to the people at the January elections.

The people should be shown how necessary a change is with regard to this matter, and if they are put in touch with the predicament in which the city finds itself regarding the electric light and waterworks situation, they will see that it is a highly necessary that a new building for

one or the other of the two plants should be erected.

Chairman Sheldon—Of course the waterworks should get a rebate for the old building, which in this case would be vacated by them. It would all mean the same thing practically, as it would still be the people's money, but the money should be placed where it will properly belong.

Engineer Jones—The present pump house is gradually sinking into the river. It has sunk so much that there are now large cracks in the walls. The vibration is causing this.

Chairman Sheldon (jokingly)—Don't you know that what you are saying is detrimental to our sale of the building to the city?

Dr. Cornell tried to pass off the Engineer's little break by saying that the electric light plant would not vibrate, and the building would not be in danger of sinking, once the waterworks plant was moved out.

Mr. Sheldon said that the Water Commissioners were present to strengthen the hands of the Council in doing whatever was best for the city. Both plants were in cramped condition, and both plants should be perfectly efficient to meet requirements. It was especially necessary that the waterworks should be this way for some very potent reasons. He thought it would be well for the Engineer to make out plans for a new building—a rough sketch with an estimate of cost attached. He thought it would be also a good idea before anything definite was done, to visit other cities where good up-to-date waterworks buildings have been erected. Now was the proper time to bring the matter before the people, when the elections were coming on, and a by-law could be submitted to get their feeling on the matter.

City Engineer Jones said that St. Thomas had a very up-to-date plant. He said that there was four times as much pressure required at the local waterworks now to what there was when he first took the matter in hand, and just twice as many lights to supply from the electric station.

Mr. Sheldon said that the strong reason which could be given the people for making a change, was that the water pressure is not strong enough to supply the present demands of the city.

The Mayor thought it would perhaps be the better plan to move the electric light plant up on the hill and leave the waterworks where it is at the present time. This would cost the least in his estimation.

Ald. Massey was of the same opinion. He thought that the spring freshets would interfere with an electric light department placed at such a low level. The last freshet had put the electric light department out of commission for a few days.

Mr. Sheldon did not, however, think it would be practical from an economical standpoint to fix the old building up for a waterworks building, as the pipes and everything were in awkward shape, and it would cost a great deal to put the department in proper shape on its present site. Referring to what Ald. Massey said about spring freshets, he said that these seldom interfered with the electric light department. It might never occur again. It is highly necessary that we should have a plant that can be enlarged as the city grows, to supply the ever-increasing demand from private houses, railways, street car services, steam-heating plants and so forth. If a change were made it should be one that would be permanent.

Ald. Potter—if we do not make that sort of a change, it would be just like taking money out of one pocket and putting it in another.

It was finally moved by Mayor Marshall, that the City Engineer be instructed to make rough estimates of the cost of a new waterworks building, and another of a new electric light station, and report to the City Council later on.—Carried.

HAS GONE TO WORK

The man Jackson who was reported to the police for allowing his wife and family to depend on the charity of his neighbors while he did nothing, has gone to work, and after a little persuasion on the part of Emma Dean Macdonald and Tom Groves—especially Tom Groves—he has decided to do better. He commenced work with Night & Felter this morning.

THE DIFFERENCE

After all, what is the difference between a beggar and a pauper? I don't know; but the difference between a beggar and a pauper is sometimes large.

GOT IT AT A BARGAIN

Little Bob Cowan Knows
How To Manage A Difficult Deal

HE NOW SPORTS A CANE

Bob Cowan, the bright young son of George W. Cowan, is showing early in life that he is a chip off the old block. He is a politician in the broad sense of the term, and a sample of his astuteness in driving a bargain, and of picking out the weak spots in the person he is dealing with, came to light the other day.

Bob tries to be like his father, and the fact that he had no cane has been bothering him for some time. It has been cold enough for a while, too, the last few days. The other day he was going home from school swinging the long sought for prize and trying to do it in the graceful way in which his father manages it.

"What have you got there, Bob?" suddenly asked his father, who was approaching from the rear, unnoticed by the young gentleman with the cane.

"Why, I have a cane," came proudly from the ex-Mayor, Jr., as he held it up for inspection. "And say, I got it at a bargain, too!"

"What did you pay for it?" was the next question.

"Well, now, I'll tell you," answered Bob, "but you may not believe it. I got that cane for a soda biscuit. You see (naming one of his little playmates on King St. West) he likes things to eat. Offer him something good and he will give you anything he has. So when I saw him with this cane I offered him a soda biscuit for it and he took it. It was a great bargain, but I didn't tell that to him."

And then Bob threw out his chest, twirled his cane around his fingers and started off in long strides, trying to get away with the bluff that he was no amateur in the cane business.

CONSERVATIVE MEETING

A meeting of the Conservative workers of polling sub-divisions Nos. 4, 5, 6 and 8, will take place in Ward Stanworth's law offices, 110 O. E. building, Thursday evening at eight o'clock.

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