## Mayoralty Election.

Your vote and influence is respectfully solicited for J. W. Bowlby as Mayor of Brantford for 1917.

In submitting my name for an extension of my term of office I do so because of the highly important undisposed of public business in which I flatter myself by thinking I could be of service to the community.

I am literally in "Media Res" on the question of the St. Paul Subway now before the Board of Railway Commissioners at Ottawa, who had decided in favor of a subway, also of a $5,000 payment by the Grand Trunk Railway Company towards the cost thereof because of their foot way. On exception being taken that I could not voice the Township of South Dumfries and Brantford the matter stands over for an application in which these Townships will form a part as they since have by each passing resolutions to that effect, and by which I hope to compel the Grand Trunk Railway to bear all the $40,000.00 cost, the city doing only the grading.

Then as to the level unprotected Railway crossings, the said Board decided that the Grand Trunk Railway should only run their cars six miles an hour instead of ten, as they could by the Railway Act. This, by some inadvertance was omitted when making their order about the Colborne street crossing and in the public interest, I think, should, and will be rectified, thereby eliminating the present menace to life and limb at the Market street and other level Grand Trunk Railway Crossings in the city.

As to the extension of Clarence street to connect with the Cockshutt Road. In 1908, being then Mayor, I recommended this project to the council. The city engineer made plans and diagrams but the then council postponed the project and its consideration was deferred until this last fall when Mr. D. Gibson of the Gibson Coal Co., formulated and obtained an extensively signed petition to carry out this project. On bringing the same to me I had him file it with the clerk for the council's action. Mr. Ward, as chairman of the Board of Works, expatiated on what he had done in furtherance of this scheme, etc. (which doubtless Mr. Gibson will be surprised to learn), and moved a resolution that the city engineer prepare plans and diagrams therefore for the council and report. In accordance with this resolution the city engineer took from his file his old plans and diagrams dated 1908 and sent them to the council, these now being on file with the clerk open to public inspection. I hope to be of some public service in carrying through this necessary public improvement and to make the Grand Trunk Railway surrender the grounds now used as a lumber yard, thus violating the trust of the deed from the city to them of this land which was to be used for the railway purposes only.

I prepared with great care a market by-law designated as I believed to bring the producer and consumer together thus obviating the middleman's profits, but Mr. Ward got one also prepared which confined the forestalling to the Market Square alone, but the streets and sidewalks surrounding the Market were not embraced therein. It seemed to me to be a case of "how not to do it" and my effective By-law was voted down by Mr. Ward and his sympathizers at the instance of the middle men. I hope yet to get justice to the people of Brantford and to have as we once had a real market.

I observe that I am criticised as a "one man power" ignoring of committees and everything else," etc. It occurs to me that it would be more pertinent if this sapient challenger of my conduct would deign to point out a solitary instance in which I was wrong in what I sought to do. I would have and always will, gladly welcome assistance in the performance of my public duties, but not the obstruction I have had to face by certain aldermen in last year's council, notably my opponent, Mr. Ward, although I had the aid and assistance of many good aldermen.

I will here briefly refer to some other questions: "Day Light Saving." The Ruler of the universe created a meridian, no city by-law could change it. If the employers and their workmen desired to start and stop work an hour earlier, there was nothing to prevent them. I was radically opposed to any action by the council, but Mr. Ward and others passed their by-law, bringing speedy condemnation on their heads for so doing and were glad enough to repeal their obnoxious by-law.

Again, when Sir Adam Beck was having the fight of his life at Ottawa to enable the people of this province to build radial electric railways, I felt he should have all the countenance and help Brantford could give him and I wrote him extending Brantford's support, which was duly reported and unanimously adopted by the council. Some little time after this, McKenzie and Mann appeared on the scene having held a charter for years and years and having had renewals thereof, for the construction of a road from Brantford to Windsor, for which road they had not bought a foot of the right-of-way nor turned a shovelful of earth, seeking another renewal of their blanket charter, and I regret to have it to say that Mr. Ward and others in the council repudiated their previous adoption of my letter and stultified themselves by actually aiding these railway exploiters to obtain another renewal of their charter. The province has to thank Sir Adam Beck for rendering their charter abortive to block out the construction of electric railway lines in the province.

Then another question to which I will briefly allude to is the payment of a large sum of money to the city solicitors for costs in the Meredith Police Court case, behind my back and without my knowledge or consent as your chief magistrate. If I felt it my duty on occasion to ignore some of the facts of councils committees, Mr. Ward and some of his associates in the council tried in every way they could to ignore and put stumbling blocks in the way of your Mayor.

I hope and believe the "morale" for the coming year, I put forward of the City Council will be improved no claim to have had an acclamation as I never was elected that way nor do I think any Mayor should be elcted to do honor to the man himself, but the elector by his vote should regard solely the welfare of the city of Brantford regardless of race, religion or politics, and elect the Mayor solely for his capacity for public service.

**J.W. BOWLBY**

## Mr. Turnbull's Reply to Mr. Ballantyne

To the Electors of the City of Brantford:

Much as I dislike newspaper controversy I cannot leave unchallenged statements presented by Mr. Alex. Ballantyne, who aspires to filling my place as Railway Commissioner. With regard to pledge No. 1, of being in favor of extending the railway service to Terrace Hill also to West Brantford, this I heartily endorse as it has been my earnest endeavor for several years to see both of these important sections of the city have an up-to-date street car service. FIRST, Because the residents require and deserve it. Second, because Brantford Municipal Railway System will not be complete without them.

THIRD, Because we need the revenue, which we no doubt would receive from such extended service.

Pledge No. 2. Mr. Ballantyne would endeavor to give an efficient and courteous service. This I consider a reflection not only upon my brother commissioners, but also upon the employees of the road. And I challenge Mr. Ballantyne to find a more courteous and obliging lot of men than are in the employ of our street car service, and it ill becomes even Mr. Ballantyne as a candidate to KNOCK instead of BOOST the employees of our Municipal Railway System. So much for pledges.

Now for the real criticism of the Commission. We are charged ot having entered into an agreement with the G. T. R. by which the city was to pay two thrds of the cost of watchman at Colborne street crossing, the G. T. R. one-third and in event of accident no matter who was at fault, Brantford had to bear all cost. Thereby costing Brantford hundreds of dollars every year and thousands in case of accidents, through no fault of the street railway. The facts are thus, we were by order of the Dominion Railway Board employing two watchmen at said crossing from 6 a.m. to 11.30 p.m. The G. T. R. had one man from about 7.30 a.m. to 6 p.m. (note difference in hours of service). About the month of June, 1915, we took up the question with Mr. Wittenberger of the G.T.R., re Colborne street crossing, also the crossing at Market street, south, which we considered the more important question, and, which by the way, has been entirely lost sight of in the shuffle of Mr. Ballantyne and associates in making the much heralded agreement with the Dominion Railway Board.

And it was agreed that because of the street railway requiring 17 hour service per day and the G. T. R. only 10 hours that it was reasonable that we should pay 65 per cent, and they 35 per cent. (not 1-3 and 2-3) as quoted by Mr. Ballantyne, particularly while we were forced by the Dominion Railway Board to keep the two men as street railway watchmen. It appeared to your Commission a fair deal whereby we saved the city some money yet maintaining efficiency. About costing the city hundreds per year, also of making liable for thousands. The facts are that the saving effected by the deal with the Dominion Board is $64.00 per year, not hundreds of dollars, and the entire liability assumed, was a myth, for further proof of which I refer you to the city solicitor.

I am very sorry that Mr. Ballantyne has seen fit at this season of good cheer, to attack me because I happen to be in the lime light, also in his way. However I am quite prepared to leave my record as a servant of the public and commissioner to the electors on Monday next, and if returned for this three year term, I hope, that well within that time to see Brantford's Municipal Railway System a complete and highly creditable and profitable public utility.

Faithfully yours,

WALTER R. TURNBULL.

## Burford Township

To the electors of the township of Burford, as a Candidate for the office of Councillor, I would solicit your kind support. If you do me the honor of electing me, I will, to the best of my ability, faithfully and conscientiously carry out the duties connected with the office.

Yours Truly,

**John B. Lloyd Jones**

## Board of Education

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN—

If elected as a member of the Board of Education, I can assure you that I will regularly attend its meetings and give to every question most sincere consideration. I ask for your support and influence. Sincerely,

**Martin McEwen**

## I Go On Record

### JAS. E. HESS

TO THE ELECTORS WARD 2—

Having represented Ward 2 for the year 1916 to the best of my ability, I respectfully solicit your vote and influence for the coming year. Should I be honored by being elected, I hope to be able to give you effective service, particularly in resepct to the construction of the long-deferred and much-to-be-desired Street Railway over Terrace Hill, and hope to receive the valued assistance of the Mayor in this enterprise. Another purpose that is highly desired, is that Terrace Hill should have an ample supply of pure water. For the accomplishment of this, I will devote the best energy I possess. As to the vital question of St. Paul's Subway, the Mayor had the matter up before the Railway Board at Ottawa, and when Mr. Mountain, Chief Engineer of the Board of Railway Commissioners for Canada was here, at the Mayor's instance, I being a member of the Railway Committee of the City Council, attended at the request of the Mayor at St. Paul's Subway and the authorities of the G.T.R. were there to oppose any subway at all. I gave every assistance in my power to the Mayor's contention that the G. T. R. should not only build a subway, but pay the cost of constructing same, some $40,000.00. The Chief Engineer, Mr. Mountain, declared there should be a subway and that G. T. R. should at least pay $5000.00 towards the cost thereof, because of their permitting a footway over the Railway tracks and that the balance of cost should be submitted to the Board. Our Committee claimed the City would not be satisfied with that and that the Railway Board would have to determine between the G. T. R. and the City as to that. I am informed that the Railway Company raised the objection that the Mayor had no right to represent the Townships of South Dumfries and Brantford before the Railway Board in respect to cutting off their road into the City and compelling them to go around over the overhead bridge. For that reason the action of the Board was postponed, and an application was made to these Townships to pass resolutions giving the Mayor the desired power. These resolutions they have already passed, and the matter stands for further adjudication before the Board at Ottawa.

If elected, I will give all the further assistance I can in accomplishing this most desirable object,

Yours Truly,

JAS. E. HESS

### EFFICIENCY WITH ECONOMY AND AN ABUNDANT SUPPLY OF PURE WATER.

To The Electors:—

In coming before you as a nominee for the Board of Water Commissioners, I have seriously considered the importance of the work that lies before this department of our civic organization. I fully realize that an adequate supply of pure water for all our citizens is vital to the health and prosperity of the city, and that the first duty of your Commissioners is to secure this and to lay the foundation for a system that may from time to time be easily and economically extended to meet increasing demands.

The experience of the past year or two has shown that the demand now overtaxes the supply of naturally filtered and purified water, therefore it has become necessary to supplement such supply with water from unsatisfactory sources, and in order that public health may not be endangered a temporary and disagreeable method of chemical purification has to be resorted to.

To overcome this difficulty new supplies must be sought or a proper system for purification and filtration adopted.

It has also been brought to public attention that our present equipment is incapable of guaranteeing to all wards of the city the supply to which they are entitled. The entire pumping plant requires the most careful overhauling, and improvements in this direction should be made at the earliest possible moment. These points are of first importance. The problems involved are of an engineering nature and the solutions must be carefully worked out along the best and at the same time most economic lines.

As a citizen with engineering education and experience I feel that my qualifications are such as to enable me to deal with such questions intelligently, and in this way to render some service to the community to which I belong.

It will be impossible for me to make a personal canvass owing to pressure of work at the present time, but should I receive your endorsement, it will be my earnest endeavor to serve the city impartially and to the best of my ability.

C. A. WATEROUS.

December 26th, 1916.

## NOTICE

The Brantford Coal Teamsters' Union have adopted the following rules:

Clause 5.—All high sidewalks or curbs to be bridged, gates opened and snow shovelled in winter, are to be charged as carried.

The Brantford Coal Teamsters' Union.

## Medical

DR. KEANE, Physician and Surgeon. Office: 114 Dalhousie street—upstairs. Entrance: Main—entrance Trusts and Guarantee Bldg. Hours: 10 to 12 a.m.; 2 to 5 and 7 to 9 p.m. Electric examination and treatment a specialty.

### THE CAR SERVICE TO TERRACE HILL AND WEST BRANTFORD

In fairness to myself, as Candidate, and for the information of the electors, especially of West Brantford and Terrace Hill, I wish to make myself perfectly understood, re. car service to these two important sections, and will answer a few plain questions which are now being asked. Are you in favor of extending car service to these sections, and by what route? And when may we hope to have such service? As for Terrace Hill, I have for years been striving to accomplish it, and as evidence of this I refer you to my action in city council several years ago in having Dundas St. extended to West St., believing it the only possible route, and for a perfect service, strongly advocate the extension being built in circuit, that is, to go through Dundas St., to St. Paul's Ave., through the much desired subway to Brant Ave., or else through the Albion St. subway down Pearl St. to Darling St., to Market. However, I have suggested to our Commission that before any definite route for further extensions are made, that the whole matter as to route should be referred to a thorough street railway expert. Having no arbitrary route, I sincerely hope for the opening of St. Paul's Ave. subway in the near future, overcoming all traffic difficulties now existing.

West Brant people are certainly entitled to an up-to-date car service, which means new cars, rails, ties, poles, wire, etc., all of which means that nothing can be done until the close of this terrible war, because steel rails cannot be secured at any price, and copper wire, labor, etc, are far beyond our reach. I sincerely believe that had we attempted to patch up the old, worn rails and track in West Brant, that we would have deserved even more severe criticism than we are receiving today. Kindly remember that the war started just at the time when Brantford came into possession of the street railway. Notwithstanding this fact, your street railway, so far as completed, is in a highly creditable condition. Just a little more patience, and I believe that in the near future you will be repaid for having waited for an up-to-date car service, and not a makeshift, as proposed by some.

I can assure the electors that everything possible has been and will be done by your Commission to make these much needed and deserved extensions as soon as possible. Trusting I have made myself clearly understood with regard to this important matter.

I remain,

Yours sincerely,

WALTER R. TURNBULL.

## To The Electors of Ward 5.

Owing to the death of my father, I will be unable to visit my friends and supporters, or to engage in a canvass. Trusting to receive the same support on Monday as I would were I able to be in the city. I am

Yours truly,

**DR. W. D. WILEY**

For Progressive Education

## ELECT

# Lloyd L. Miller

A Young Man With Up-to-Date Ideas on the

## BOARD OF EDUCATION

## BIBLE SOCIETY IN SESSION

### Excellent Financial Report Submitted; Announcement of Annual Meeting

The executive of the Brantford branch Bible Society held a meeting yesterday at 4,30 p.m. in the Y. M. C. A., the president, Mr. C. Cook presiding.

The treasurer, Mr. F. Cockshutt, read the financial report, and it was with much pleasure that he moved the usual yearly grant of $1425.00 to headquarters, also during the year, in addition to its usual operations, the society bore the cost of supplying each member of the 125th Brant Battalion with a testament. The policy of the local branch regarding financial matters is ever forward, their loyal collectors are ever faithful.

The Society have something in the way of a decided treat to offer the public of Brantford and vicinity at their next annual public meeting, to be held Wednesday evening, February 7th, at the usual prayer meeting hour. Rev. Canon Cody will be the principal speaker of the evening. Those who know this gentleman bespeak a most successful meeting. The place of meeting and all particulars will be announced later. It has been the custom during the recent years for all prayer meetings to be withdrawn for this occasion. This year, it is expected the same course will be followed, a goodly representation of the ministers of the city being present, and signifying their willingness in this matter.

**M. M. MacBRIDE**

WARD 4

The Candidate For

Efficiency
Common Sense
Fair Dealing
—and—
Prompt Action on all Questions

## Get It Correct

RUMOR PERSISTS IN MISTAKING MR. C. A. WATEROUS, WHO IS A CANDIDATE FOR WATER COMMISSIONER, FOR HIS UNCLE, WHO IS NOW PRESIDENT OF THE HOSPITAL BOARD.

## For Board of Education

## W.H. HAMMOND

To the Electors of Brantford:

In presenting myself for election to the Board of Education, I do so feeling that living as we do under democratic institutions, I, in common with others, have duties as a citizen which I must at least be willing to perform. Frequently in the past, friends have urged me to take up these duties. Up to the present, the demands of business have prevented me from doing so.

Having spent a number of years as a teacher of both public and high school work, and possessing first-hand knowledge of our educational system, I believe that as a member of the board of education, I could be of real service.

Since leaving the teaching profession, I have followed with deep interest, the educational affairs of our province, and more particularly those of the city of Brantford.

Our city has in the past been well sereved by its trustee boards. Brantford possesses splendid school buildings with the best o fequipment and an excellent staff of teachers. Too much credit cannot be given to the ratepayers of Brantford for providing our magnificent educational equipment.

Nevertheless, there is one respect in which I am convinced improvement could be made. Some speeding-up of the school work should be accomplished. This is especially desirable in view of the fact that so many of the children leave school when they reach the age of fourteen. It is the opinion of many who have followed this matter closely, that larger number should pass the entrance before reaching this age.

I regard it as a great misfortune and handicap to any boy or girl to start out in life with anything less than the knowledge and mental training represented by the Entrance Examination. In my opinion, this is the birth-right of every boy and girl in Brantford. This phase of the public school work should be given special attention by the new board and the retarding cause discovered and removed as far as possible.

I would appreciate your vote and any other assistance you may be pleased to give me, and if elected I shall give the best that is in me to the Educational affairs of our city.

Wishing you the compliments of the season, I am, Yours truly,

W. H. HAMMOND.

# Natural Gas

## What is the Matter With Tilbury Gas ?

That question suggests itself now that the ratepayers of Brantford are asked to mortgage their homes for the purpose of erecting a municipal gas plant to supply artificial gas.

Tilbury gas is used in great quantities in Woodstock, Ingersoll and many towns and villages west of there. AND THERE ARE NO COMPLAINTS.

WHY? Because the consumers have learned that the efficient use of Tilbury gas depends largely on seeing that the pipe joints are kept tightened and the burning equipment properly adjusted.

The gas consumers of Brantford can do much to solve the problem here by following this example. See that the pipes are in proper shape and the equipment regulated. If all the users of Tilbury gas would do this it would be found that there is little or no cause for complaint.

In connection with the plebiscite YOU are asked to MORTGAGE YOUR HOME to build a municipal gas plant, the product of whcih will cost YOU nearly three times as much as YOU are now paying for natural gas.

MR. TAXPAYER, DON'T YOU FIND THE COST OF LIVING HIGH ENOUGH NOW? DON'T-YOU FIND YOUR TAX BILL HEAVY ENOUGH WITHOUT ADDING TO THE BURDEN.

REFLECT BEFORE YOU VOTE.

Watch This Space To-morrow

## FOR ALDERMAN
### Ward 1.

TO THE ELECTORS—

I solicit your vote and influence for re-election for Alderman. After two years I feel that I can better assist in the administration of civic affairs. I find it will be impossible to call on your personally, but ask the same generous support as accorded me in 1913 and 1914.

Yours Respectfully,

**THOMAS QUINLAN**

## FOR ALDERMAN
### Ward One

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:—

Your vote and influence is respectfully solicited for Alderman for Ward One, I will endeavor to serve the city's interests to the best of my ability. Wishing you a very Happy New Year.

**Fred C. Harp**

## Ward 1.

**S.A. Jones**

K. C.

FOR ALDERMAN

## ALDERMAN
### For Ward One.

To the Electors—

Your vote and influence respectfully solicited for

**ALLAN VAREY**

## FOR ALDERMAN
### Ward 2.

TO THE ELECTORS:—

I again solicit your vote and influence as alderman for Ward Two. Thanking you for past kindnesses and wishing you a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

**Jos. H. Minshall**

## For Alderman, 1917
### WARD No 2

*Your Vote and Influence Solicited for*

**J. H. Hall**

*of John H. Hall & Sons, Ltd*

## FOR ALDERMAN
### Ward Two

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN—

Again I solicit your vote and influence as Alderman for the year 191 promising to watch carefully the be interests of each and every part of th city, if elected. Wishing you th season's compliments,

**J. E. HESS**

## For Water Commissioner

After four years' service on th Board, I again solicit your vote an influence. Make use of my experie ce. Keep me busy by your vote an assistance. It will be impossible fo me to make a personal canvass.

Yours for Pure Water,

**A. G. Montgomery**