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War Memorial Discussed By Council

But No Action Taken as it was Last Session of Present Council—Preparing for Election

Town Council met on Thursday, 20th instant. His Worship Mayor Troy in the chair, all aldermen present except Ald. Sargeant.

Minutes of last regular meeting and also of the Special meeting of March 10th were read and confirmed. The latter meeting authorized the borrowing of \$3,000 from the Royal Bank, to be paid not later than July 1st, next, rate of interest six per cent.

A communication was read from the Toronto City Council, asking endorsement of a resolution they had passed re placing of telephone poles, etc., in a Municipality, and after some discussion was endorsed, and a resolution ordered forwarded to the Government at Ottawa.

A communication from Cochrane, Ont., Town Council asking endorsement of a resolution requesting the Dominion Government to allow municipal taxation of government railways, was, on motion of Ald. Durick and P. Russell, received and read, without discussion.

A communication from the Local Government inviting the town to give suggestions re the spending of money on the new plan to provide homes at cost for returned soldiers and workmen and to give an estimate of what amount Newcastle would require was, on motion of Aids. Stuart and John Russell, received and referred to a committee of three to be reported upon at next meeting.

The Mayor appointed Aids. Durick, Crocker and Stuart as such committee. A petition from the majority of the property holders on Jane Street, asking for extension of sewerage on that street, was received, and on motion of Aids. Crocker and P. Russell, referred to the Petitions Committee for a report at next meeting.

Following bills were passed—

FINANCE—	
D. W. Stothart	\$ 144
Newsome & Gilbert	15.25
B. P. Maltby	17.80
Union Advocate	147.00
	\$181.49
POLICE—	
Stothart Merc. Co.	\$46.38
PUBLIC WORKS—	
Stothart Merc. Co.	\$ 83.50
Lounsbury Co.	15.00
P. Hennessy	220.60
J. H. Sargeant	60.80
	\$379.90
LIGHT AND WATER—	
Sumner Co.	\$ 2.50
Can. Oil Co.	46.00
C. M. Lake	2.00
D. W. Stothart	1.25
Can. Gen Elec Co.	54.18
Can. Gen Elec Co.	24.75
O'Brien Ltd.	849.68
T. McAvity & Sons	40.02
	\$1,020.38

Ald. Crocker reported as follows:— To the Mayor and Members of the Town Council, Gentlemen, I beg to report that a

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TWO LOCAL MEN FACE VERY SERIOUS CHARGE

George Donahue of Wayerton and William Galliah Arrested Charged With Hastening Death Of Former's Wife—Preliminary Hearing Yesterday

A trial of more than ordinary interest began in Newcastle Police Court before Police Magistrate J. R. Lawlor yesterday afternoon.

George Donahue of Wayerton and Constable William Galliah of Newcastle, are on trial charged with hastening the death of Mrs. Geo. Donahue, the former's wife, by taking her, on March 15th instant, out of her sister's house, against her will and while ill, and driving her some twenty-one miles to Chatham, according to witnesses.

George Donahue, then belonging to Marysville, was married to Mary Baisley, of Wayerton, in St. John about 13 years ago. The bride was then 28 years old and the groom about 20. The young couple settled on a farm in Royal Road, York Co., where they lived till about two years ago, six children being born to them.

The youngest child, a girl, was born Feb. 24th, 1917. The other five are boys, the oldest now about twelve years old.

In July 1917, the couple came to Wayerton. Mrs. Donahue's brothers, Washington, Jackson and Joseph live in Wayerton, and James lives in Newcastle.

Mrs. Donahue had also a sister at Wayerton, Mrs. Archibald Stewart.

About a year ago, Mrs. Donahue took ill with cancer, and her brothers had her removed to the home of her sister, Mrs. Stewart, where Miss Mildred Mullin went to wait upon her. Mrs. Stewart lives at Trout Brook, near Wayerton. Mrs. Donahue was removed to Stewart's on Feb. 5, 1919. Mrs. Donahue was then very ill.

Mrs. Donahue gave her youngest child in charge of her brother, Joseph Baisley, to whom it appears by a sworn statement made by her before Joseph Hosford, J.P., on the 13th of February last, she also wished to give her youngest boy. But only the girl was taken by Mr. Baisley.

After some trouble because of the baby, the latter was on March 7th, taken away by Mr. Donahue and placed in charge of a neighbor.

On the 15th instant, Mr. Donahue, accompanied by Constable Wm. Galliah, of Newcastle, drove to Stewart's house, and in the absence of Stewart but in the presence of Mrs. Stewart, Miss Mullin and Jackson Baisley, who were tending her, took the woman

put her in the sled and drove her to Chatham Hospital, over 21 miles.

They reached Chatham about 7 p.m. Jackson and Joseph Baisley followed to Newcastle, and next morning, along with James Baisley and Dr. Nicholson drove to Chatham Hospital, where they saw Mrs. Donahue, and of her remaining with her to the end. Everything possible was done for her in the

hospital but she passed away shortly before noon.

The remains were handed over to the brothers, who conveyed them back to Wayerton. The funeral took place on the 18th instant, interment being beside the bodies of her parents, the late Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Baisley, in English Settlement cemetery, Rev. E. Rowlands conducting services.

Messrs. Donahue and Galliah were arrested on Monday and were admitted to bail.

Monday morning, E. P. Williston appeared for the prosecution, Geo. McDaie and John A. Creaghan for defence.

The first witness was James McNeil. Witness had met Donahue and Galliah with Mrs. Donahue, about five miles from Newcastle. Donahue said "I got her." The roads were bad and they were driving fast.

Joseph Hosford had met them between Wayerton and Newcastle. The roads there were fair, only for some slews. Before they got up to him, the two men had got out to do something around the sled. Mrs. Donahue was moaning as if in extreme pain. There was a note of terror in her voice. She was in a sled with sides on it.

Mrs. Priscilla Stewart, sister-in-law of Archibald Stewart, saw Donahue and another man driving past. It was very cold. She heard screaming and recognized Mrs. Donahue's voice, and heard someone say: "You might just as well keep quiet, you'll only catch cold." She was also throwing her hands in the air, which were bare.

Mrs. Edward Waye lived next door to Archie Stewart's. She knew Donahue and wife, and recognized Galliah in court. She was called over to Stewart's. When she got there Mrs. Donahue was already in the sled, and Donahue was over her covering her up. She was screaming and throwing her arms in the air. She continued screaming until out of hearing. When a short ways from the house, Donahue raised his hands in the air and whooped.

Edward Waye knew Donahue. March 15th was a fine day. Didn't know Galliah as the teamster, but recognized him in court. Witness was going over to Stewart's, and they were driving out. He caught the horse by the head. The teamster shouted to let go and he let go. Didn't see Mrs. Donahue or hear her scream, but saw Donahue raise his hand and heard him whoop twice when a distance from the house. Galliah told him if he interfered with him and his horse and he'd make it hot for him. Witness would judge the temperature was 10 below. He stopped the horse as he was pretty sure Mrs. Donahue was in the sled, as there were a number of women following it.

Adjourned till 2 o'clock.

In the afternoon Miss Mildred Mullin was the first witness. She nursed Mrs. Donahue, was not trained. Mrs. Donahue on March 15th was very sick and very weak. Witness was there when Donahue came. Mrs. Donahue had following clothing on: one pair stockings, suit of underwear, two night gowns, thin sweater, a kimono, no boots and no head wear. Witness was fanning her when Donahue and a stranger came in. The latter said they had come to move the sick woman. Witness said the sick woman was not fit to move. Mrs. Donahue said she was not going to go. Donahue said: "Come, Mary!" Mrs. Donahue said: "No, I'm not going!" Galliah said: "Yes, we've come to take you." Donahue started to lift her off the bed as she was. She cried and screamed for him to leave her, and told her brother not to let her go. Witness ran for help, and on her way back she met them with Mrs. Donahue on the sled. Did not see them take her out. Mrs. Donahue was not able to walk. Witness had tended her for two weeks saw his wife as often as he came.

New Pipe Organ For St. James

Lord Beaverbrook Denotes one in Memory of His Father Late Wm. Aitken

The beneficence of Lord Beaverbrook to his native town has again been evidenced and this time the congregation of St. James' Church has been remembered by His Lordship. At a meeting of the Board of Management of St. James' Church last evening, a letter from Lord Beaverbrook was read which contained an offer to instal in the church a new pipe organ of the latest improved type. Needless to say the offer was very gratefully accepted. We understand the new organ has been given in memory of Lord Beaverbrook's father, the late Rev. William Aitken, who was the beloved pastor of St. James' Church from 1880 to 1903.

She asked witness to stay with her when Donahue came and not to leave her alone with him, as he tormented the heart out of her. No other parties hindered him from seeing her alone. Donahue often said he'd take her away. She didn't want to go. Witness pleaded with him when he came to take her. Witness didn't see her on any bed in the sleigh. Witness had nursed Mrs. Donahue at her husband's home, had left because Donahue was cranky. Witness had stayed four days at Joseph Baisley's and had then gone to Stewart's.

Witness had given medicine according to directions. Donahue's home was a log cabin with three rooms. He supplied flour, molasses and sugar, and got one supply of medicine. Supplied no delicacies. Mrs. Donahue could walk but few steps when she left her home. There were five children in the house. He brought children once in a while to see their mother while at Stewart's, and a few things to her. While at Donahue's house Donahue had a paper purported to be signed by Dr. McGrath stating that Mrs. Donahue was in fit condition to be moved to her own home. This was dated February 16th.

Mrs. Nancy Stewart, wife of Archibald Stewart, and sister of Mrs. Donahue, said Mrs. Donahue stayed with her from Feb. 5 to March 15. She was not able to walk alone. She came with knowledge of Donahue, who helped to carry her into Stewart's house. Drs. McGrath and McKenzie saw her to witness' own knowledge, and pronounced her incurable. All said to give her care and attention. Neither said she should go to a hospital. She was taking Dr. Nicholson's medicine while at witness' house. Neither she nor the Baisleys hindered Donahue from seeing his wife. Mrs. Donahue had asked once to have her children brought to see her. On March 15th Donahue and Galliah came and Galliah said they had come to move the sick woman to hospital. Witness objected, as woman was not fit to be moved. A paper was shown but not read. There were present in the room Mrs. Donahue, Jackson Baisley, Miss Mullin, Donahue, Galliah and herself. Donahue said: "Come on, Mary!" She replied: "No! I'm not going." Galliah said: "We've come to take her." Witness read a few words from a paper given by a doctor. Galliah said: "That's no good; come on." Mrs. Donahue was sitting covered in months. Had not taken temperature, but the day was cold. She was the only nurse. Know nothing about talking temperature. Never nursed a patient before. Could not give as good care as a hospital could. Donahue picked her up, carrying her, and witness locked the door. Donahue rested her on a chair till Galliah made witness open the door. Mrs. Donahue was screaming and crying: "Jack, don't let them take me! Nancy, don't let them take me!" Galliah said he was a constable and if I didn't open the door he'd sweep the house.

As she was carried out across the verandah, the wind blew her clothes so that she was bare at the knees. She was screaming all the time. She had on stockings, light underwear, two nightdresses, kimono and light sweater, nothing on head. There was something in sled that looked like a bed, a cotton quilt and something dark. Her arms were not covered while in witness' sight. Day was very

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