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NOMINATIONS ON WEDNESDAY BIG GRIST OF CANDIDATES

Petitions to Prominent Citizens Asking Them to Run for Differen Offices Are Now Signed by Over 1,000 Electors—Municipal Elections Will Be Warmest in Years.

Petitions asking Hon. Adam Beck to run for mayor, and Mr. Philip Pocock, Mr. A. T. McMahen and ex-Ald. Wyatt to run for the utilities commission, are pouring into the secretary of the joint committee, Mr. W. D. I. Wright.

This afternoon at least a dozen of them had been sent in, containing over 1,000 names.

Before tomorrow it is expected that there will be many more received, with a total name list of 1,500 electors, perhaps many more.

Among the prominent names connected with it are Col. J. W. Little, Mr. Geo. C. Gibbons, K. C., R. C. Struthers, J. B. Smallman, J. M. Dilion, A. E. Reason, R. C. Eckert, D. H. Howden, R. D. McDonald, W. E. Saunders, O. Labelle, Dr. Tillmann, J. W. Metherall, J. H. Chapman, R. J. Young, Dr H. A. McCallum, John Labatt, F. E. Leonard and many others.

Say All Will Run.

It is said to be quite certain that the slate will go through

It is possible that ex-Ald. Wyatt will run for the council rather than for the utility commission. He would prefer to do that and make room for another man on the commission. A change is being mooted, but who the man will be is quite a secret apparently. In any event he will be a strong man, one capable of giving good service to the city.

There was a rumor to the effect that Mr. Beck's contract with the water commission would prevent his taking a seat. A legal opinion was given to the effect that this would in no way interfere with his candidature. He has not signed any contract with the city for the distribution plant.

A Host of Candidates.

There will be a host of men named for all offices tomorrow. All the old-timers will have their papers sent in, and there is every possibility that a record-breaking field will be nominated.

A large number of citizens who have not figured on running will be placed in nomination, and if Mr. Beck, or some other candidate not now mentioned, agrees to run for the mayoralty they will stand, it is claimed.

Mayor Stevely will not be a mayoralty possibility. At his dinner last evening he announced to the aldermen that he would not be a mayoralty candidate, but that it was very probable that he would seek a place on the utilities commission.

Ald. Stewart announced that he would probably not be a candidate for any office.

No more candidates for the board of education have announced themselves as yet, and it is likely that a small field will run for this most important board.

The Nominations.

The nominations for the mayoralty and the hospital trust will take place tomorrow morning between 10 and 11 o'clock. The nominations for the other offices will take place between 12 and 1 o'clock. All candidates must either qualify or withdraw before 10 o'clock Thursday evening.

Of course, Ald. Ferguson and Ald. Beattie will remain in the field. Neither of them will withdraw, no matter who runs, or who does not run, they say.

Both of them stated today most emphatically that they would stay in the contest to the end.

Mr. Beck is in Toronto today, and is expected back this evening. An announcement will be made of his intentions tomorrow.

The Candidates.

The candidates so far as can be learned are the following:

Mayor—Hon. Adam Beck, Ald. Ferguson, Ald. Beattie.

Utilities Commission—Three to be elected—Phil Pocock, A. T. McMahen, William Wyatt, Ald. Josh Garratt, Mayor Stevely, E. T. Essery, K.C.

Council—Ald. Gerry, Ald. Rose, Ald. Saunders, Ald. Cooper, Ald. Moorhead, Ald. Fitzgerald, Ald. Stevenson, A. J. Morgan, W. A. Wilson, John G. Richter, Henry Pocock, J. A. Tancock, Hubert Ashplant, Harvey Kilbourne, John Dunkin, Thomas Reycraft, R. J. Young, J. H. Jeffries, W. Jeffrey, J. H. Chapman, D. H. Howden, W. M. Spencer, W. W. Thomson, R. C. Struthers, W. L. Underwood.

Board of Education—Dr. W. J. Teasdall, J. I. A. Hunt, G. N. Weekes, Dr. J. D. Balfour and A. S. Macgregor.

Hospital Trust—J. C. Judd, K.C.

PROSPECTIVE MAYORALTY CANDIDATES

HON. ADAM BECK.

ALD. J. H. A. BEATTIE.

ALD. DAN. FERGUSON.

"DR. COOK FOOLED THEM ALL FROM KING OF DANES DOWN"

University of Copenhagen After Careful Consideration Publicly Declares That American Explorer's Papers Fail to Prove His Claim for Polar Honors.

Copenhagen, Dec. 21.—The University of Copenhagen, the first institution of learning to recognize Dr. Frederick A. Cook as the discoverer of the North Pole, today solemnly declared that the explorer had failed to establish the claim upon which his high honors had been based.

The committee appointed by the university to examine Cook's records recently presented its report to the consistory of the university, which reviewed the deductions of the experts with the greatest care, and discussed the findings from every standpoint. That both the committee and the consistory were disappointed was soon known.

This morning the consistory met and adopted a written report to the effect that the alleged records submitted for examination by Dr. Cook failed to

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MAYOR STEVELY GAVE BANQUET

Entertained Members of City Council and City Hall Staff Last Night.

MUTUAL ADMIRATION

His Worship and the City Daddies Paid Each Other Compliments at a Very Dainty Spread.

A complimentary banquet was tendered by Mayor Stevely to the members of the council and city officials at the Tecumseh House. Practically every department was represented.

After the dainty lunch had been disposed of his worship took charge of the toast list. When the health of the King had been drunk he proposed the good health of the council. Responses were made by Ald. Ferguson, Garratt, Saunders, Cooper, Rose, Gerry, Parsons, Moorhead and Fitzgerald. All referred in the highest terms to the excellent service given the city by Mayor Stevely and his unfailing kindness to them during the year.

Deprecated "Knocking."

All deprecated the spirit of "knocking," alleged to be prevalent throughout the city, and declared that if the citizens would "boost" and take a more sympathetic interest in the aldermen better results would follow, and men would be willing to offer themselves for civic positions. There would be no "hurrying and scurrying for candidates," as was the case at the present time.

Ald. Cooper did not agree with his colleagues that the council was one of the best the city ever had. He was certain some of them were the best, but two or three members were not as strongly grounded as he considered they should be. He mentioned no names.

Board of Education.

The toast to the board of education was replied to by Dr. Teasdall and Dr. Wyckoff. Both referred to the increasing expenditure on educational matters, and declared that the board endeavored to obtain the best possible for the children of the citizens, and they were proud of the fact that the educational system of London held a very big position in the opinion of competent men in Canada.

"Civic Boards" was responded to by Mr. H. B. Archer, of the University Senate; T. H. Heard, of the hospital trust; Fire Chief Aitken, and Electrical Engineer E. I. Sifton.

The City Officials.

The toast to the city officials brought responses from City Clerk Baker, Inspector McCallum, Assessment Commissioner Grant, Assistant Assessor Martin O'Sullivan, City Auditor Jewell.

During the evening recitations were given by C. E. Carruthers, and songs by George Wright, A. E. Nutter, Ald. Moorhead, Major Hayes and others.

The Health of the Host.

Ald. Ferguson proposed the health of the host, Mayor Stevely. He spoke of the cordial relationships that had existed during the two years of his incumbency of the office, and declared that he had served the city faithfully and well. He had "boosted" London wherever he had been, and had given much advertising to the city.

Mayor Stevely made a brief reply, in which he thanked the members of the council, and the officials for their unfailing kindness during the year. He had endeavored to do his duty, and he was conscious that although a great deal of business had been transacted there had been little badly done. He wished all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Those Present.

Among those present were Mayor Stevely, Ald. Ferguson, Stewart, Garratt, Saunders, Rose, Cooper, Parsons, Gerry, Moorhead, Fitzgerald, City Clerk Baker, H. B. Archer, T. H. Heard, Dr. Wyckoff, Dr. Teasdall, Inspector McCallum, Fire Chief Aitken, A. E. Nutter, Major Hayes, F. G. Jewell, R. J. Millar, Stephen Grant, Harry Merritt, Martin O'Sullivan, A. E. Jolly, H. D. Roberts, E. I. Sifton, Harry Bennett, Geo. Tambling, W. P. Selkirk, A. E. Carrothers, W. S. J. Saunders, O. Ellwood, Athol Marshall, Geo. Wright, C. E. Carrothers, J. H. Fowler and others.

Owners Are to Blame.

A bevy of some dozen dogs have been becoming a good deal of a nuisance on Waterloo street, between Dufferin and Central avenues. A prominent resident of that locality stated that the dogs have formed a habit of running out at people, and several ladies have been very badly frightened. So far they have done no further harm, but the residents of the vicinity are beginning to resent the nuisance, and claim that if something is not done to restrain the dogs, their owners may find their way into the police court for maintaining a nuisance.

SOUTHWESTERN PEOPLE DENY WHOLE STORY

Are Not in Any Way Connected With London Electric Or Other Power Interests.

The directors of the Southwestern Traction Company, in a statement to The Advertiser, deny absolutely the story printed in last evening's Free Press to the effect that the Traction Company is allied with the London Electric for the distribution of power in the city.

They unanimously declare that there is no connection whatever between the Southwestern Traction Company and the London Electric, or any other power interest.

They consider it an injustice that such a piece of fiction should be circulated for the manifest purpose of injuring or creating prejudice against the concern at the present time, when really gigantic plans, all of which will result in much good for London, are under consideration. The story was made out of whole cloth.

RAILWAYMEN LOOK FOR BIG HOLIDAY TRAFFIC

Owing to the Fact That Christmas and New Years Fall on Saturday.

Owing to the fact that both Christmas and New Year's fall on Saturday this year railroad men are predicting that the rush of holiday traffic will easily break all records. The special fare and a third rates, good from now until Jan. 5, went into effect this morning, and ticket agents report very large sales of tickets. The special single fare tickets, good from Dec. 24 to 27, will be on sale on Friday, and for these it is expected there will be an enormous demand, as thousands of people will take advantage of the opportunity of spending Christmas Day and Sunday with relatives. It is probable that owing to the heavy traffic extra trains may be put on to accommodate the crowds. For some days all the through trains from the west have been loaded with people returning to Europe to spend the winter. When in addition to this heavy business the Christmas crowds swarm on the trains extra coaches will certainly be necessary, and as some of the engines are carrying now all the cars they can make time with, it is likely that extra trains will be put on.

THE GOAT IS DEAD!

City Gas Company's Unique Quadruped Has "Butted Out."

The City Gas Company's goat is dead.

This fellow wore a coat that would make the furs worn by Cook and Peary look like gauze garments.

It was thought he was proof against all the gales and storms that ever blew, but he caught cold, like an ordinary unclad savage, and died from the effects of it.

He was used to draw a small coke wagon about the streets, and was quite a favorite with the "kiddies."

However, he has departed for that bourne from which no goat ever returns, and it is presumed that he is now engaged in the coke business.

DR. FREDERICK COOK,
Arctic Explorer Whose Claim of Having Reached the North Pole Has Been Rejected by the University of Copenhagen.

CIGARS PART OF HOTEL BUSINESS

Counsel for Proprietor Puts Up a Plea Which Sets the Police Magistrate Thinking.

A SUNDAY SELLING CASE

In Which Mr. Brammer Harrison, of the Harrison House, Is the Defendant —Decision Reserved.

Another interesting case of selling cigars on Sunday was heard in the police court this morning when Brammer Harrison, proprietor of the Harrison House, was charged with selling three cigars to John Trott, of London Township, on Sunday afternoon, Dec. 6. Mr. Harrison was represented by Mr. E. W. Scatcherd, who on his behalf pleaded guilty.

Right To Be Tried.

"I deny the right to be tried, though," said Mr. Scatcherd; "for, in the first place, the law does not apply to licensed hotelkeepers. They are not mentioned, directly or indirectly. I contend that by the act parliament intended to restrict the carrying on of business on Sunday. The act, however, provides particularly that a hotel man must keep his place open for business all the time. Selling cigars and liquor are part of the hotel business. A license is granted for that purpose. This puts the hotel man in a different position altogether from the restaurant man who sells cigars on Sunday. He does not break the law because he is not mentioned in the law. The essence of the act is to prevent the carrying on of ordinary business."

Magistrate's Opinion.

"That is true," said Magistrate Love, "but it does not require a man to sell cigars on Sunday. He is acting as a merchant, and not as a hotelkeeper."

"Selling cigars and liquor is a part of the business," replied Mr. Scatcherd. "The hotelman is not compelled to take out any license to sell them beyond his regular hotel license. In that the hotelkeeper stands in a different light altogether from the restaurantkeeper. This law was never intended to apply to hotelmen. The only case on record is the recent one in Toronto, in which W. R. Martin, proprietor of the Hotel Winchester, was charged under circumstances very similar with breaking the law. Col. Denison looked up the law and after considering the case a week dismissed the charge. There was no appeal against his decision by the crown."

The Toronto Case.

"I admit," said Magistrate Love, "that Col. Denison has had a long experience, and if you can get the record of the case and present it to me I will consider the matter, even though on several previous occasions I have, under similar circumstances, found parties guilty and fined them."

MRS. FERNANDEZ DEAD

Was Mother of Bijou Fernandez, the Well-Known Actress.

New York, Dec. 21. — Mr. E. L. Fernandez, the first woman theatrical agent in America, proprietor of a well-known agency in this city, and mother of Bijou Fernandez, the actress, died today at her home here after an illness of several weeks.

TAX ROLL COMPLETED AND GIVES SURPLUS

Major Hayes has completed the tax roll of 1908, and is able to announce a surplus over the estimated sum to be received.

In addition, he is also able to report a surplus of taxes returned from unoccupied property.

He is busily engaged in completing the roll to be forwarded to the council, and the returns are considered most satisfactory by city hall officials.

TOMORROW—SNOW FLURRIES

FORECASTS.

Toronto, Dec. 21—8 a.m.

Moderate to fresh west to southwest winds; partly cloudy today and Wednesday, with local snow flurries; not much change in temperature.

— TEMPERATURES.

Stations.	8 a.m.	Min.	Weather.
Victoria	40	28	Clear
Calgary	16	—8	Clear
Winnipeg	14	12	Cloudy
Port Arthur	24	12	Cloudy
Parry Sound	28	12	Snow
Toronto	24	14	Cloudy
Ottawa	22	16	Cloudy
Montreal	24	20	Cloudy
Quebec	18	8	Snow
Father Point	24	20	Snow

Minus (—) means below zero.

WEATHER NOTES.

The pressure distribution remains almost as it was yesterday, except that the centres of the low areas in Northern Ontario and Eastern Canada have drawn somewhat to the westward.

The weather continues moderately cold throughout the Dominion.

THE LORDS KILL A LABOR MEASURE

Decide Union May Not Levy on the Members to Provide for Commons Representative.

London, Dec. 21. — The House of Lords, the final court of appeal in this country, decided today that a trades union may not make compulsory levies upon its members to provide pay for parliamentary representatives. The labor party had announced already that if the verdict of the Lords was against it, a bill to legalize compulsory levies would be promoted.

EIGHT PERISHED IN OLD LONDON FIRE

Big Store at Clapham Junction Destroyed at Great Loss.

London, Dec. 21. — Five bodies were recovered this forenoon from the firemade ruins of the drygoods store in the Clapham quarter. The known dead number eight.

The search was continued throughout the day, but was necessarily slow, and it may be a day or two before the casualty list has been determined. It appears that all of the employees have been accounted for. There were hundreds of Christmas shoppers on the spacious floors when the fire broke out.

John Burns, Fireman.

President Hon. John Burns, of the local government board, assisted the firemen. He remained at the scene for three hours and then attended a meeting of electors of Battersea with his hand done up in a bandage, his clothes saturated with water and his face begrimed with smoke. He related his experience and asked the meeting to excuse him from making a speech.

The audience, after standing uncovered as a mark of condolence for the victims of the fire, dispersed with cheers for "Honest John."

Clapham Junction is the connecting point for many of the most important railway lines entering London, and has given its name to an undefined area of Battersea, a suburb of the city, which is inhabited chiefly by artisans, clerks, small traders and laborers of all grades. It was to this class of trade that Arding & Hobbs chiefly catered.

FIVE PERISHED IN YONKERS FIRE

New York, Dec. 21. — Five persons were burned to death today in a fire which destroyed a frame dwelling-place in Sherwood Park, Yonkers. All the dead were members of the family of Theodore Fredericks, who lost his life in the fire, together with his wife and their three children.

SCHOOL MAGAZINES

Periodicals Dealing With Teaching Profession for Local Staff.

Inspector Edwards has had conferences with his principals of late relative to the purchase of school magazines dealing with the profession. He went over lists of the periodicals, and the result is that a large number of them have been subscribed for.

"It tends to keep the teachers up to date," said Inspector Edwards. "The principals have taken hold of the idea with enthusiasm, and I anticipate good results."

A fine lot of Grand Trunk picture posters have been received, and will be distributed in the different schools.

SAW LEOPOLD WEDDED

Said to Have Married Baroness Vaughan at Country Chapel.

Paris, Dec. 21.—A man employed on Leopold's Cape Ferrat estate told the Matin's Nice correspondent that he accompanied King Leopold and Baroness Vaughan in an automobile to the Franciscan chapel at Bordiegere in February, 1908, where, he asserted, a marriage was celebrated. The superior of the Franciscans, when seen by the correspondent, refused either to confirm or deny this statement.

Father Fallon in Hamilton.

Hamilton Spectator: Rev. Father Fallon, of Buffalo, has accepted the bishopric of London, much to the regret of his Buffalo congregation, by which he is greatly beloved. Bishop-elect Fallon was in the city on Saturday and dined with His Lordship Bishop Dowling, with whom he came to consult. He came here from Ottawa and Toronto, and was accompanied by Rev. Dr. Burke, president of the Church Extension Society of Canada. Bishop-elect Fallon is a native of Kingston, and was for seven years vice-rector of Ottawa University, and is well and favorably known throughout Ontario. He has not yet decided on the date of his consecration, but it is likely that it will take place in London. He will be tendered a big farewell by his Buffalo congregation.

ENTOMBED EIGHT DAYS MINERS FOUND ALIVE

Are in Terribly Emaciated Condition But Expected to Recover.

Negaunee, Mich., Dec. 20. — Imprisoned under ground for eight days, four miners were today rescued alive from the Negaunee iron mine. The men are in a terribly emaciated condition, and will not be brought out of the mine until tomorrow, for they must be carefully dealt with to save their lives.

The men were buried by an unexpected fall of rock after they had completed a day's work.

WEEK IN THE JAIL REVIVED HIS MEMORY

But Indian Lister's Story Is Still Insufficient for Magistrate.

A week in jail seems to have had some beneficial effect on the memory of Robert McKee, an Indian lister, who was remanded last week because he would not tell who gave him the liquor. When he appeared again this morning McKee remembered that a man named Stoner had a bottle, and that he had given McKee a lot of the whiskey to drink. McKee couldn't tell the court where Stoner was to be found.

"I don't believe your story," said the court, "and I am going to send you back for another week."

Goes on the List.

Joseph Scott, a young man who fell off the water wagon, agreed with the magistrate that it would be a good plan to put him on the Indian list. This was done.

Charles Chapman, a young man who was drunk and used profane language on the street was fined $5.

"This sort of thing has got to stop," said the court.

Walter Orchard, who last week was remanded on a charge of trespassing on the Grand Trunk by sleeping in a shanty in the East End yards, was allowed to go on condition that he promise never to trespass on the company's property again.

A case against James O'Neil, a Richmond street restaurantkeeper, charged with selling tobacco on Sunday, was adjourned for a week.

FATHER FALLON WAS NEVER IN LONDON

Buffalo, N. Y., Dec. 20.—Father M. F. Fallon, of Buffalo, is still hard at work getting ready for his removal to London, Ont. An interesting coincidence in connection with his future work is that London is the only city in Canada which Father Fallon has never visited.

Up to the last week he had never met a priest of that diocese, and he could not recall that he knew a single person in that city.

FIRST YUKON GOLD FOR OTTAWA MINT

Dawson Man Arrives With $50,000 Worth of Metal.

Ottawa, Dec. 20.—Mr. Joseph Boyle, of Dawson City, arrived here today with gold to the value of $50,000 for the royal mint. This will be the first large consignment of gold from the Yukon to be coined at the mint. Heretofore it has gone to San Francisco.

DEATH OF MRS. BURNETT

Former Londoner Said to Have Died as Result of Vaccination.

Windsor, Ont., Dec. 20. — Mrs. Charity Burnett, aged 23 years, wife of Edward Burnett, died this afternoon at her home in Flint, Mich. She was vaccinated a week ago, and it is said that the virus acted in such a manner as to bring on a severe attack of gastritis. She grew worse, and at noon today it was decided to remove her to Hurley Hospital as a last resort. Twenty minutes after she had been admitted and before her husband could reach her side she was dead.

Mrs. Burnett was a native of London, Ont. She leaves, besides her husband, a six-months-old child. The remains will be taken to Simcoe for interment.

STEAMERS ARRIVED.

New York, Dec. 20.—Arrived: Zeeland, Martha Washington, Cymric, Sicilian Prince.

Glasgow—Arrived: Caledonia.

Philadelphia—Arrived: Siberian.

Queenstown—Called: Arabic.

Liverpool — Arrived: Victorian, Carmania.

Plymouth—Called: Kron Prinzessin Cecilie.

Southampton—Arrived: New York.

Gibraltar—Passed: Berlin, Duca di Genova.

CHURCH UNION TO FORE AGAIN

Action of Congregationalists to Take Vote Arouses Interest.

SOUTHERN CHURCH VIEW

Rev. Mr. Claris Does Not Think an Actual Union Would Be Best.

The determination of the Congregational Church in Canada to submit the matter of church union to a vote of the congregations, has again aroused interest in the subject. In speaking of this action, Rev. Mr. Claris, of the Southern Congregational Church, stated that he did not think that the vote would be taken in his congregation, as some time ago it was decided there that while they believed in a unity of purpose they did not think that an actual union would be to the best advantage of the church. It would, he thought, destroy their independency, and in so doing would militate against their effectiveness.

Rev. Mr. Stevens, the superintendent of the China Inland Mission office in this city, and a prominent member of the First Congregational Chuch, said that he thought the question would ultimatel xbave to be put to the vote of the individual congregation, but so far he had heard nothin gof any immediate action in the First Church. Personally he was in favor of union, but as the congregation had not been officially consulted on the matter he did not know what their attitude in the matter would be.

Rev. Mr. Inkster Approves.

Rev. Mr. Inkster, of the First Presbyterian Church, said that he thought that this was the proper way to decide the attitude of the people on this important question. Had this ben done in Scotland there would not have had to be a decision by the House of Lords, on the matter.

The matter had been submitted to a great many congregations, and Mr. Inkster stated that he intended to bring it before the attention of his own congregation. There was a very distinct opposition to the movement in many quarters, led principally by Rev. Mr. McKay, of Westminster. Mr. Inkster expressed himself as strongly in favor of union. Whether the matter would be put to a vote of the church would depend upon the action taken by the General Asembly on the matter, when they met in 1910.

The Anglican Church.

"The officers and authorities of the Anglican Church still stand by the Lambeth Quadralateral, setting forth the four terms under which union might be accomplished," said Canon Hague. The atittude of the church is largely one of waiting. The feeling in favor of church union as a theory is very strong, but there is also a realization that the actual working out of the scheme will be fraught with extreme difficulty.

Local Option Scrutineers.

Reeve George Kimball and Clerk Miss Grant met at the town hall, Arva, on Monday to swear in the scrutineers for and against the local option bylaw. Thirteen for and eight against the bylaw were present and received their commissions. They will meet again on Tuesday next at 2 p.m. to complete the list.

ALD. GARRATT AND CEMENT CONTRACT

Allegation That He Is Interested in City Business.

GIVEN A FLAT DENIAL

Claims He Is Only Concerned in Coal Business—Coal Dealers Make Complaints.

The connection of Ald. Joshua Garratt with the firm of Patterson & Co., coal dealers, is the cause of not a little discussion about the city hall and elsewhere these days. Ald. Garratt, Mr. A. B. Greer, and Mr. Thomas Patterson comprise the firm.

It is not registered as such, however, there being no official record of its incorporation. The firm supplies coal, cement, teams, etc. This year the firm has had quite an extensive cement business with the city.

They have furnished 100 barrels of cement directly to the city at a cost of approximately $1 48 per barrel, the total amount paid out being $148, or thereabouts.

Cement dealers declare that this price was too high, and that they are furnishing cement in barrels at from $1 20 to $1 25 per barrel, Patterson & Co.'s tender, however, was the lowest. Cement prices may have fallen since.

In addition, the Patterson Company furnished supplies to firms doing business with the city, for which Ald. Garratt would have to vote as a member of the council.

Big Contracts.

For instance, it is alleged, that the Patterson Company furnished 4,000 barrels of cement to the Barber Asphalt Company during the past year for pavements.

It is also stated that the company furnished Mr. George Norton, the city sidewalk contractor, with 2,000 barrels of cement. For both these firms Ald. Garratt voted that they receive the contracts.

In addition Mr. Patterson furnished several teams for street watering during the year. This department was one in which Ald. Garratt had direct control.

The figures for that work could not be obtained with exactness today, but it was stated that they ran into several hundreds of dollars.

Ald. Garratt's Answer.

Ald. Garratt declares that he has absolutely no connection with the firm except as to its coal business.

"I am interested with Mr. Patterson in the coal business," he said. "I have no connection at all with the other matters. Mr. Patterson has that himself, and he carries it on himself. I have nothing at all to do with it. It is a tempest in a teapot."

"The contract for cement was awarded to me as the lowest tenderer," said Mr. Thomas Patterson." Ald. Garratt has nothing to do with that at all. It is my own affair, and no person else has anything to do with it.

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$20 for Charity.

Mayor Stevely this morning received an anonymous letter inclosing $20 to be divided as follows: $5 for the "kiddies" on the Wharncliffe road, $5 for the Rescue Home, and $10 for the poor of the city. His worship turned the money over to Inspector McCallum to be distrbuted as directed. The unknown donor has been sending this money for some years, but so far has not revealed his identity.