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### Ald. Piggott Promises to "Attend to" the City Engineer at Next Meeting—A Heated Interchange—A Local Solicitor Causes Some Amusement—Ald. McColg's Momentary Outbreak—A Memorable Council Night

From the even and amicable manner in which the aldermen swung into business at the opening of last night's City Council meeting, the large throng of spectators who filled the auditorium evidently came to the conclusion that the nights of thrilling and dramatic situations and startling reverses were at an end. But it was the calm which preceded the storm—and, before the civic legislators finally sought their overcoats in the lobby shortly after ten o'clock, the atmosphere had become much more torrid and the asidopes had had more than their money's worth. Even Ald. McColg's perpetual sniveling savagery momentarily deserted him and he snappily retaliated at the series of "call-the-attention-of-the-Board-of-Works" ejaculations which were thrown his way; while Ald. Piggott, with flushed face and angry warmth, bounded to his feet to thunder his imprecations at the luckless City Engineer.

The first scene was precipitated when Ald. McColg moved that the residents of Park street be accorded two more weeks in which to complete their petition as per their request.

A motion to hear Sam. A. McCornock and Robert Cucksey was passed. Mr. McCornock said the petition had grown from 43 names to 52 since the last meeting of Council. The petition was against the initiative and in favor of bidititititit. He asked of the Council the courtesy of allowing the matter to remain over and the ratifiers were then satisfied to abide by the result.

While Mr. McCornock was speaking John Kerr, a local solicitor, rose and interrupted him. He said he wanted to ask some questions. Mr. McCornock turned sharply, "I am here," he said, "to address the gentlemen of the Council on a simple matter of justice. If the solicitor of the asphalt block company or any of their other hirelings want to see me about anything he can call on me and I'll find it convenient to attend to him at any time." Laughter and applause.

Mr. Cucksey was then called. "I would prefer to hear Mr. Kerr," he declared, "a man who hasn't the interest of a cent in the street. Let us hear what he has to say—a man who has nothing whatever to do with it." Applause.

Mr. Kerr was called and said he didn't want to say anything. He just wanted to ask questions.

Ald. Piggott moved that Mr. Kerr be allowed to ask questions of Mr. McCornock.

Ald. McColg, smiling—What kind of child's play is this? We can't pass any such motion. We have no control over Mr. McCornock. Let Mr. Kerr or anyone else just go into the outer lobby and he can pump away at all the questions he likes.

Laughter.

Ald. Tye seconded Ald. McColg's motion for a two weeks' postponement on the understanding made, and it carried.

Ald. Martin had the distinction of inaugurating the dramatic scene of the evening. He brought up the matter of the re-appointment of Lineman Moore and said he understood from Ald. Edmondson at the last meeting that Supt. Jones had specially advised the re-appointment and he saw later that the superintendent had denied it in a letter to The Planet. He wanted to get at the facts.

Ald. Edmondson moved that the superintendent be called and asked what he told him.

Mr. Jones said he did not recommend the re-appointment.

Ald. Edmondson said that Mr. Jones said that Hardaker and the other applicant were green men.

Engineer Jones—Oh no, I'm sure I did not.

Ald. Edmondson—Pardon me, but you did. And when I asked you, you said Sam Moore knew his business and if he'd attend to his duties you believed he'd better be reappointed. The alderman and engineer contradicted each other and the Mayor suggested in his usual happy vein, that it must be an unfortunate case of a misunderstanding and the unpleasant circumstance better be dropped.

Ald. Piggott thought the Engineer should be called to time for wiring his side of the question in the press. "Once before," he declared, "when I found an error of \$6.43 in this civic estimate items I saw he had written a letter to The Planet showing that his totals were all right. It simply made me out to the public that I didn't know what I was talking about."

Mr. Jones—I think it is unnecessary to suppose that I could allow inaccurate statements concerning me

and my work to be spread all over the district without any correction. I wouldn't take it from you, Ald. Piggott, or anyone else—so you can understand that!

Ald. Piggott jumped to his feet with much warmth. "I'm an alderman of the city of Chatham," he thundered, "and you're only city engineer. You'd better keep your place, 'I do,' returned the Engineer, 'but you must keep yours.'"

"What's that?" the alderman responded with heat. "You just wait till next meeting night and I'll attend to you, sir!"

Ald. McColg—Surely this is not creditable business wasting the time of the Council. This ought to be all threshed out in committee.

And the Mayor called a halt in the interchange.

The chairman of the Board of Works was the next victim. A series of sharp queries were flung at him from all sides regarding the matters it was alleged his committee was attending to. Ald. Westman was the last inquisitor.

"I want to ask the Board of Works," he began, when Ald. McColg interrupted sharply, "If these complaints were put in writing and handed in there would be some sense to it. How can we remember them pills in like this?"

Ald. Westman—If the chairman would wait and hear what I've got to say then—

Ald. McColg, breaking in—I know what you've got to say.

Ald. Westman—Oh no, you don't. I was going to suggest the lowering of the boulevard on King St. west.

Ald. McColg—if the men making their kicks put them in writing all will be attended to. I've got lots of other writing to do besides taking notes of all their statements.

The Carter Oil Company asked the Council to unite in petitioning the Government relative to duty on raw material. Referred to Finance.

Petitions for sewers on Park and Adelaide Sts. were reported not sufficiently signed. Referred to Board of Works.

Chas. Jeffrey wrote, asking grandiloquent walk in front of his houses on Laurox St. Referred to Board of Works.

Several requests to trim trees were referred to the Chief of Police.

The residents on Brock St. petitioned for sewer, and Ald. Edmondson asked that the initiative be taken Board of Works.

On motion, Tuesday, April 28th, was set for the date of Court of Revision on a number of local improvements.

Mrs. Campbell and other residents of Park St. wrote asking Council to proceed with the laying of the asphalt block pavement under the initiative, and asking that if a petition came in against the initiative that an investigation of the signatures be made as to whether they were free and voluntary. Board of Works.

Ald. Monteer reported for the Parks and Cemetery committee that the account of Geo. Stephens & Douglas, \$3.10, be paid. Adopted.

Ald. Marshall reported for the special committee on the administration of justice accounts the settlement arrived at with the County Council, as previously reported in The Planet. Adopted.

The Mayor read a communication from Major Maude, the Governor-General's secretary, a response on behalf of Lady Minto to the kind expression of sympathy on her accident tendered on behalf of the citizens by the Mayor.

Ald. Edmondson asked the Board of Works if they were ignoring North Chatham in the matter of cleaning streets. St. Clair street needed.

Ald. McColg said he had left specific instructions to the Engineer for the cleaning of St. Clair St. He would see it was attended to.

Ald. Tye asked if something could not be done with the north approach to Abnerden bridge. If it was at all damp the mud was thrown in all directions and many ladies' dresses and the apparel of all pedestrians had been ruined.

Ald. McColg said it would be an excellent idea to have a paved if the Board of Works knew where the finances were coming from. Ald. McColg suggested amily that the Biditititit company be asked to prove the excellence of their wares by putting down a sample of their work on this approach.

Ald. Martin—At their expense?

Ald. McColg—Certainly.

The Mayor—A splendid suggestion.

Ald. McColg understood it was the intention of the Government to locate the new armories on the Park out in a manner that would interfere with the baseball, football and lacrosse games. He moved that the Mayor and chairman of the Parks Committee wait upon Colonel Rankin and the member for West Kent and place the matter before them. He knew Col. Rankin had the in-

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## MEETINGS OF THE VESTRIES

### Splendid Progress Being Made by the Maple City's Anglican Churches

### Encouraging Reports Received for the Past Year—Election of Officers for the Ensuing Term

The Easter Vestry meeting of the parish of Holy Trinity was held in the Sunday school room last evening. There was a large attendance, among whom were ladies of the congregation. The rector, Rev. T. Beverley Smith, presided.

The wardens' report for the year which was of a very satisfactory nature, was read and adopted subject to the auditors' examination thereof.

The Rector then reviewed the work of the year and the progress made which could be looked upon only with great thankfulness.

He then re-appointed his warden and the Vestry named W. J. Moore, F. S. Coate at the earnest request of the Vestry undertook the office of vestry clerk.

The Advisory Board was re-elected with the addition of Wm. Whitebread and S. Sly.

The sidesmen were also re-elected with the addition of P. S. Coate and Wm. Stevens.

T. Scullard and Wm. Coekram were re-elected auditors.

Votes of thanks were tendered to the officers, with special reference to G. A. Sayers, the retiring vestry clerk, the choir and organist, Miss R. Morrison, the Mite Society, the Willing Workers and the Sunday School for their labor and help so freely given on every occasion in all matters that could advance and sustain the work of the parish.

Thomas Coulson and Wm. Ball were re-elected lay delegates to the Synod.

### CHRIST CHURCH

Christ Church is steadily advancing and is now in a very prosperous condition. This was plainly shown at the annual meeting of the Vestry held last evening, when the Warden's financial statement as read by Warden Waddell gave a surplus to the church of about \$815 on the Income and expenditure of last year. This will almost wipe out the floating indebtedness.

There were present at the meeting the rector, Rev. R. McCosh, Vespiter Clerk John Waddell, and Messrs. J. Barassin, Dr. R. V. Bray, James W. J. W. Shackleton, Geo. Heywood, S. Stephenson, W. E. Rispin, O. J. Lewis, A. C. Woodward, W. H. Harper, Judge Woods, and Messrs. Guttridge and Kingston, and Messdames Guttridge and Herb. Fisher.

The Warden's statement was received with much satisfaction and the Warden was congratulated upon their excellent work during the year. The receipts and cash on hand amounted to \$3,231.17, while the disbursements totalled \$3,175.50, leaving a balance of cash on hand of \$55.67. Liabilities amounted to \$921, and the assets were \$790, leaving a floating debt of \$126 on last year. Then also \$140 was paid last year on this floating debt.

O. J. Lewis moved the adoption of the report, and in doing so he said:

"We should feel greatly encouraged by this excellent report. This is the first time that I can remember when we have had a surplus at the end of the year. It shows that we are doing something. I feel greatly elated over the report and we need not be ashamed to have it go before the public. The church, it is plainly seen, is advancing."

W. E. Rispin seconded this motion and said:

"This is the most encouraging report we have had in 23 years. I sincerely congratulate the Warden and the church on the excellent showing of last year."

Mr. McCosh—I also feel very much satisfied with this report. It is most encouraging and the best report which has been received since I became rector.

The report of the Women's Auxiliary Missionary Society, which was also very encouraging and satisfactory, was then read and adopted. It showed total receipts \$157.76, expenditure \$154.83, leaving a cash balance on hand of \$2.93.

The ladies were given a hearty vote of thanks.

The election of officers was then proceeded with and the following gentlemen were appointed to positions in the church for the ensuing year.

Wardens—Mr. Waddell, appointed by the Vestry; and W. E. Rispin, appointed by the Rector.

Mr. McCosh spoke in very complimentary terms of the services of the retiring Warden, Mr. Dennis. He has discharged his work faithfully and well and deserves the thanks of the church.

Advisory Board (re-elected)—Messrs. Dunlop, Morton, Weir, Pritchard.

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