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HAMILTON DISTON DEAD.

The Philadelphia Saw Maker Carried \$1,000,000 Life Insurance. Philadelphia, April 30.—Hamilton Diston, head of the extensive saw works of Henry Diston & Sons, was found dead in bed this morning. Heart disease was the supposed cause of death. Mr. Diston was a millionaire. He was an influential Republican and was a generous contributor to the campaign. He had been a local leader in the party in Philadelphia for years. Mr. Diston's life was insured for \$1,000,000, he being the second largest insured man in the country. Ex-postmaster Gen. J. W. Wainwright of this city is the executor in this respect in the United States.

APRIL'S LOW DEATH RATE.

Forty-Two Fewer Interments Than in the Preceding Month. The returns from the city cemeteries for the month of April show that the total interments were 139, or 42 less than during the month of March. The deaths from diphtheria were 7, less than March. Those interred over 70 years of age were only 17, compared with 74 for March.

Royal Grenadiers.

The battalion parade was over 500 strong last night under command of Lieut.-Col. James Mason. Major Bruce and Captains and Acting Adjutants Mackay being the other staff officers present. They were marched to Upper Canada College grounds and there practised in battalion drill. They returned via King, Yonge and Queen-streets to the Armouries, shortly before 10. Before commencing the march the C.O. complimented them on their excellent turnout and for the smartness of their drill. Major Bruce and private Charles Armstrong will represent the "Greens" on the Bixley team. It was also announced that the Garrison church parade will take place on May 17.

Ontario Society of Artists.

On Monday next the annual exhibition will be opened. The collection this year will, in point of numbers, be about the same as last year. The merit of the work is much higher. Among the exhibitors are such well-known artists as L. R. O'Brien, A. Field, E. M. Bell-Smith, M. Matthews, W. A. Sherwood, F. M. Knowles, W. Atkinson, J. W. L. Forster, C. Manly, T. M. Martin, F. S. Chaffoner, F. A. Vermer, W. D. Blatchley, R. F. Green and others. The exhibition will be held at the Art Association, 100 Queen-st. West. It will be a most interesting and profitable one.

New Customs Regulations.

In consequence of the numerous irregular applications made to the Customs Department for permission to re-export goods found not to be the goods ordered, a new form of application to collectors has been issued, which shall be signed in duplicate by the importer, certified by the appraiser or other proper officer, and forwarded to the department by the collector. This is an important regulation, and one which will facilitate business at all ports.

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THE REIGN OF ECONOMY.

THE BOARD OF CONTROL SETTLES DOWN TO WORK. Two Thousand a Year Saved in Assessments Department—\$2400 Less for Tax Collection—Six Collectors to be Displaced—With New Office of "Tax Receiver" Created—Renewal of Island Leases.

The second regular meeting of the Board of Control was held yesterday afternoon, all the members present. The agenda for the evening was the abolition of the License Department. Aid. Lamb enquired of the Controller, Mr. Caswell, as to the result of the change. The Mayor argued out a net saving in the administration of the License Department by the change of \$2000 per annum.

A communication from the Street Commissioners stated that the cost of grading mud streets to make them suitable for speeding horses would be approximately \$2000 per annum. The length of Eastern-avenue, from Strange to Woodbine, is 5100 feet; Palmerston-avenue, College to Bloor, 2800 feet.

The Mayor suggested that the board should propose to the council to set apart streets for the purpose of speeding horses. Aid. Lamb made a vigorous fight for the board's prerogative in the Board of Works, on the principle that that body was supposed to have charge of all the city streets. It was pointed out, however, that the Board of Control had the prerogative to introduce such matters and the streets set apart for the work of speeding horses would be segregated to the Board of Works.

The board agreed, on motion of Aid. McMurich, that the City Solicitor prepare a by-law setting apart the above named sections of Eastern-avenue and Palmerston-avenue for speeding. The Mayor insisted on having the privilege limited to week days only, and then only before 9 o'clock in the morning and between 2 and 8 o'clock p.m.

Costs in the Johnston Suit.

The notice of motion by Aid. Preston, which proposed to pay Mr. Johnston \$1500 on account of the costs already incurred in his suit against the Consumers' Gas Company, gave rise to an animated discussion. Aid. Lamb wanted to know what the city's responsibility will be if the proposition was adopted; what in all probability will be the amount of the ultimate liability, and whether in case the city does not make the payment it is under any obligation in connection with the suit. He was prepared to go into this thing blindfolded without knowing what the probable cost would be.

City Solicitor Caswell was sent for and stated that if the city advances this money, it becomes responsible for whatever taxed costs the plaintiff Johnston might become liable for to the Consumers' Gas Company under any decision of the court, but not for costs as between solicitor and client.

The Mayor went into the amount of the costs? Aid. Caswell—it may be about \$3000.

Mr. Caswell's estimate of the correctness of Mr. Johnston's claims, which the gentleman explained were given off-hand. He said that the position was just this: he did not care whether the cost was \$10,000 or \$20,000. The fact was, Mr. Johnston had gone on and entered a suit against the Consumers' Gas Co.

Aid. Lamb—On his own responsibility. The Mayor—Yes, on his own responsibility and on behalf of all the citizens of Toronto who are gas consumers, every one of whom will benefit by the result if the verdict he has obtained is upheld. He has sought a noble fight in the interests of the whole city. Now he has won he comes to the Council and asks for aid, inasmuch as he has no interest in the suit other than as a private citizen, and as the whole city benefits by the success of the suit, and as by the action of the gas company in appealing there is a risk of the citizens losing the advantage which had been gained by the suit.

Mr. Johnston is taking the risk of going to the Privy Council, as a private individual, whereas it may possibly be ultimately decided against him, and if it were it would be a small thing for the city to allow Mr. Johnston to be at the expense of one 6-cent piece for the suit. For this reason, as the rest of the citizens are prepared to take advantage of any necessary business which result from Mr. Johnston's suit, they should be prepared to assume the responsibility of the suit, and secure the victory that has been obtained.

Aid. Lamb was heartily in accord with the proposition and always had been, but wanted to be satisfied that they were proceeding on the right lines. It was then agreed to recommend payment of the amount.

Delay in the Subway Widening.

The specifications for the Queen-street subway were submitted for approval, but the board deferred action, so that the work cannot be advertised for until all the claims for land damages are settled.

The board endorsed the proposal to purchase the water rights for the subway for \$4000 and also divided the contracts for coal and wood for water works purposes between the tenderers for coal and wood respectively.

Tax Collecting Reform.

The board then took up one of the questions which have been beating the officials for some time, viz., the question of reorganization. The tax fell in this case upon the tax collectors, which result from Mr. Johnston's suit, they should be prepared to assume the responsibility of the suit, and secure the victory that has been obtained.

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Graduated Four-in-Hand or Knot Ties, regular price 50c for 10, now 25c. 25
Men's Fancy Top Bicycle Hose, in grey and dark colors, \$1 for 10. 75
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Renewals of Island Leases. Aid. Burns (chairman), Scott, Spence, Joliffe, and Fuzschi, Senators, and the Property Committee's meeting yesterday, arranged for Mr. M. J. Woods to read a paper on the subject of renewals of leases at the Island. The twenty houses and lot of certain water lot patented by the Ontario and Elevator Company, situated on the west half of the Alkins lot on Hamilton-street.

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