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Two Special Attractions THIS WEEK

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AMUSEMENTS

GRAND OPERA HOUSE

Wednesday, May 16

Oscar L. Figman and Ruth White in the Musical Comedy Triumph,

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THE BIGGEST SHOW OF THE SEASON.....

24 Song Hits—24

Prices—25c, 50c, 75c, \$1.00 and \$1.50

THE FAIR OF ALL NATIONS THE MOST SUCCESSFUL EVER

This Brilliant Event Opened Last Night in the Curling Rink and Was Attended by a Constant Stream of Delighted Visitors

ENTHUSIASM SHOWN, HAS NEVER BEEN EQUALLED

The Fair of Nations opened last evening amid scenes of enthusiasm which have probably never been equalled in this city. A constant stream of visitors flowed in from the moment the doors were opened, and the whole fair was thronged with admiring crowds until a late hour. Every booth was well patronized, and the ladies were kept busy supplying the wants of eager purchasers.

The program which was followed last evening was an excellent one, well calculated to arouse interest. The whole Fire Brigade, headed by the Regimental Band, paraded the city, finishing up at the rink. Inside the skating rink, upon the splendid platform which has been erected for concert purposes, the band took up their position in readiness for the opening ceremony.

Colonel J. E. Rankin was the first to address the assembly and, in the course of a short but interesting speech, he paid a high tribute to the Ladies of the Assisting Society. At the conclusion of his speech he called on Mr. Hugh Macdonald to speak. Mr. Macdonald spoke along the same lines as Mr. Rankin, praising the ladies for their indefatigable work and self-denial, which had enabled them to successfully carry out such a great scheme as the one they had now entered upon.

Colonel Rankin then read two telegrams, one from Mr. H. S. Clements, M. P., expressing his regret at being unable to attend, and a similar message from Mr. P. H. Bower, M. P. There was, however, said Mr. Rankin, a representative of the Provincial House in attendance, who would no doubt say a few words to them.

He had much pleasure in calling upon Mr. A. B. McOgig, M. P. P. Mr. McOgig thanked the ladies for their invitation. He thought they deserved great praise for their splendid work and he was glad to see that their efforts had been rewarded by such gratifying patronage.

After the speech-making the grand parade of All the Nations took place. A long procession of wild and warlike Indians, pretty Spanish señoritas, coy Irish peasant girls, charming little Dutch girls, bonny Scotch lassies, buxom, bright Canadians, dainty Swiss peasants, picturesque Italians, rosy English girls, merry little Japs, sturdy German girls, smart Yankee young ladies, quaintly attired Turks, and sweet little maids from Iceland, all accompanied by consorts. Such was the grand parade, a comprehensive array of foreigners hard to beat. The parade was greeted by great applause as it wound its way around both rinks, to the music of the band.

Following the parade the Fair was declared open and the throngs of people repaired to the curling rink to examine the booths. All the different exhibitions came in for much praise and the tone of the evening was one of admiration for the ladies' creations. From a visitor's point of view every booth was doing "a roaring trade," and the bright smiles of the busy ladies spoke of gratification and success. The Fair continues until Saturday, opening each day at eleven o'clock in the morning, and from the enthusiastic support which has been tendered it on its opening night, it is safe to say that it will be an overwhelming success.

CITY NUMBERING LEFT OVER

Council Decide to Get More Information Before they Take Action.

TENDERS WERE OPENED

The question of house numbering came up again at the agenda of last evening, but the aldermen very wisely decided to leave the whole question over until another meeting, when more information on the matter will be presented before the Council. This is a matter where it pays to go slowly and the aldermen will do well to consider every detail and guard against rushing into any scheme whereby the work might possibly be improperly done.

Ald. Edmondson, for the special committee appointed to deal with this matter, reported as follows: That the tender of R. Kipp, being the lowest, be accepted. The price is \$115.

"Some of the aldermen," said Mr. Edmondson, "are evidently opposed to going on with this work this year. I am sorry they did not speak out before. If the city is going to be numbered I would like to see it go on at once. The tender of Mr. Kipp is low. One of the tenders was as high as \$201. It is up to the aldermen to say whether this work will be done or not."

Ald. Stone—What will be the total cost?
Ald. Edmondson—About \$400. Mr. Kipp will do the work according to the specifications.

Ald. Benson—Has the City Engineer made a plan of the city to go by?
The Clerk—He made out a specification only.

Ald. Scullard—What will you do in reference to vacant lots?
Ald. Edmondson—It is the intention to give a number for every 20 feet on residential streets and every 16 feet on King street.

The Clerk—How will the work be inspected?
Ald. Edmondson—There is a question there. We would have to have the Engineer.

The Clerk—You can't have him now.

Ald. Stone—I don't think we can ever get the work done as cheaply again, but we must have plans and specifications. We might wait until the last quarter of the year if Mr. Kipp is content to wait that long. I know he would do the work perfectly well.

Ald. Potter—I am quite in favor of numbering the houses, but I for one want to see it done right. I am not satisfied with what I have heard while acting on the committee and I would favor leaving the matter over until another meeting and in the meantime let the committee meet both Mr. Kipp and Mr. Jones and see what understanding can be arrived at.

It was then decided to leave the matter over until the next meeting of the Council.

SMALL MATTERS WERE MANY

The City Council Session Extends well on to Midnight

THE ROUTINE BUSINESS

The City Council held another midnight session last evening. There were very many important business transacted, but the aldermen found the business brought before them sufficient to warrant lengthy and in many cases superfluous discussions.

In the absence of the Mayor, Ald. Benson was moved to the Chair.

There were present Ald. Austin, Scullard, Stone, Benson, Edmondson, Radley, Massey and Potter.

A large number of Board of Health accounts were passed. They were chiefly for goods furnished to people while in quarantine and the city could do nothing else but pay them. Mr. Scullard remarked that it was surely time for Chatham to have an isolation hospital. The recent action of the Finance committee in securing a property for this purpose was certainly timely and warranted.

The City Treasurer asked for the withdrawal of certain lands from the list to be offered for sale by auction for arrears of taxes.—Granted.

Frank Gennell asked relief from dog tax.—Granted.

Samuel Bullis called attention to a leak in the Gas Company's main on Park street. The escaping gas, it was claimed, is killing the grass and shade trees.—Referred to Property committee.

Matthew Wilson complained of the excessiveness of his business tax.—Referred to Finance committee.

V. C. Mounter asked permission to put down a granolithic walk in front of his residence on Eighth and Water streets. It will be put down outside of the trees and under the supervision of the City Engineer.—Referred to Board of Works with power.

A petition was received for a granolithic sidewalk on Patteson avenue.—Referred to the Clerk.

R. J. Lunn, barber, asked a remission of his business tax. He was ill during the time he was assessed.—Referred to the Finance committee with power.

Ald. Benson read a letter appealing for assistance from Mrs. L. Scullander, who said that she was a poor widow and she needed a sewer near her place.—Referred to the Board of Works.

A communication from the Harwich Council was referred to the Board of Works.

A communication was received from the Board of Health recommending a couple of sewers, one entering the Queen street sewer and

ELECTRIC LIGHT LINEMEN WILL NOT RECEIVE INCREASE

Council Decided to Curtail Expenses—Plans for Remodelling Market Front Accepted—Improvement to Cemetery Caretaker's Residence

ASSYRIANS MUST KEEP OFF THE MARKET SQUARE

At last night's meeting of the City Council Ald. Potter asked that the Board of Works take up the matter of examining the Queen street sewer, and installing a number of manholes on the sewer. The sewer, Ald. Potter said, was not working satisfactorily.

Ald. Edmondson replied that he would consult the City Engineer about the matter at once.

Ald. Stone drew attention to the unsafe condition of the sidewalk on King street in front of A. Sheldrick's tailor shop.

Ald. Edmondson said he had spoken to the City Engineer about this matter. He said the Gas Company's workmen were responsible for the present state of the sidewalk.

In reply to Ald. Austin's query about what was going to be done with regard to the dangerous state of the old block pavement on King street west, Ald. Edmondson said about the only thing that could be done, would be to wait till a petition were out for a new pavement, as the old one was hardly worth repairing.

Ald. Potter complained of the habit workmen engaged in excavating for sidewalks had of throwing loose earth on the sidewalks, and thus blocking them. They also had a habit of leaving obstructions on the walks.

A Mr. Hess asked for permission to operate a carpet and bed cleaning machine in the city. This machine would be operated from house to house. The machine, which is about 20 feet long, cleans feather beds and is so constructed as not to raise dust or make any noise.

Ald. Austin was just in doubt as to whether this man could operate here in competition with a local man in the same business who paid taxes. It would hardly be fair.

Ald. Edmondson said the only thing Mr. Hess could do was to go on with the work on his own responsibility.

Mr. Hess said he would be willing to pay taxes.

Ald. Edmondson did not think the Council could legally take any action in the matter.

Ald. Stone said that some more improvements were necessary at the caretaker's house at the cemetery. He moved that the committee be empowered to let on with the work to the amount of \$50.—Carried.

Ald. Edmondson brought up the matter of increasing the wages of city sewer diggers. They asked for an increase to \$2 a day.

Ald. Stone moved that the matter be referred to the Board of Works to report on at the next meeting of the Council.

Ald. Scullard thought it would be best referred to the Board of Works with power. He made a motion to that effect, seconded by Ald. Potter.—Carried.

This increase is made only to those workmen who work at the bottom of the sewers.

Ald. Austin wanted to know if there was any arrangement made between the number of inspectors on sewers this year. This had been badly regulated last year.

Ald. Edmondson said it was the intention of the Board of Works to employ Mr. Etches alone as inspector this year. He thought the citizens would be quite satisfied with the manner in which the system was being managed.

Mayor Marshall came in at this juncture and took charge.

Ald. Potter brought up the petition of the electric linemen for an increase in salary. He said that the work was being done in a very satisfactory manner this year and he thought they were entitled to the following raises: Job, Moore to \$600 and R. Moore to \$500. He thought that these men should be encouraged in doing good work, such as they had been doing. He felt in moving this, he was only doing right.

Ald. Edmondson complimented Ald. Potter on the good electric light service given the city this year. He seconded the motion.

Ald. Stone was of the opinion that it would be best to have the chairman of the committee bring in a report on the matter. He thought it would be best to leave the matter over till after the civic rate was struck. He was not in favor of increasing expenses till he knew where the city stood financially. He also referred the resolution passed by the Council, not to increase any salary during the year.

Ald. Scullard spoke much along the same lines as Ald. Stone. He said he could not vote for the motion till a report were brought in.

It was moved by Ald. Scullard and Ald. Stone, that the matter be referred back to the committee to report on at a later meeting.

Ald. Potter claimed that the resolution with regard to increases had already been broken. He said if the matter were laid over till another meeting he could not bring in any more detailed report. The men under new instructions had more work and responsibilities than ever, and he believed they were worthy of the increase.

no harm to let the matter stand. He wanted Ald. Potter to point out wherein the resolution had been broken.

The matter was laid over, and the matter of a grant will be considered at the end of the year.

Ald. Austin thought the Council should not screen themselves behind the resolution which he thought was untimely, and he thought that the linemen should be dealt with according to their merits.

Ald. Potter wanted to know as to whether the linemen had power to trim city trees that interfered with the electric lights.

He was informed by the Clerk that it was just a question as to whether the city could trim the trees without the individual citizen's consent.

The matter was referred for investigation.

Ald. Potter presented the plans for remodelling the old market front, in which meat stalls and offices will be installed, the estimated cost to be \$4,160.

The Mayor thought the consideration of this matter should be left over till further advice were gained on the matter.

Ald. Austin said he would very much regret any unnecessary delay in the matter.

The Mayor feared that the Council could not legally appropriate \$4,160 to remodel the old front, now that the other portion of the market had been completed.

Ald. Scullard said he had interviewed the City Solicitor with regard to the matter, and he said that the city could go on with the work, and be within their bounds.

Ald. Potter moved, seconded by Ald. Stone, that the plans be accepted, tenders be asked for, and the work gone on with, with the approval of the City Solicitor.

Ald. Massey objected to some minor details in the plans.

Ald. Potter said that the matter had been thoroughly taken up by the committee and they had been unanimous in their decision.

Ald. Benson said he would like to see the matter laid over till another meeting, and discuss the matter in committee in the meantime.

Ald. Potter's motion carried when put to a vote.

Ald. Scullard moved that the latter words of the resolution with regard to the sewer diggers salary be struck off and be made to read, "report on," instead of "with power."

This was seconded by Ald. Edmondson.—Carried.

Ald. Benson presented the agreement between the L. E. & D. R. R. and the city with regard to the Head street spur. This matter was embodied in the by-law.

Ald. Stone moved that the Assymians be allowed to sell on the market till their year's time had expired, providing that they paid up their arrears. This was seconded by Ald. Edmondson.

Ald. Potter said that if last year's chairman of the Property committee had given the caretaker permission to rent stalls to the Assymians, he did something contrary to the opinions of his colleagues. He could not support the resolution as

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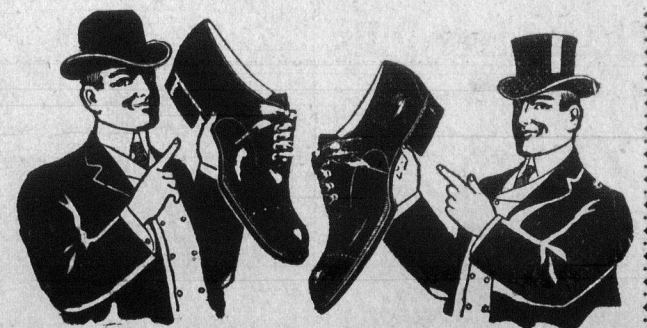
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