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The City Council

Make Up Last Time by a Long Session.

Obstructionist Tactics Started but Failed.

The Reform in the Tax Collecting System Adopted.

Major George W. Hayes Gets the Appointment.

Contracts for the Year's Supplies Let.

Maurice Baldwin and George McNeill Lose Contracts—Supported by the Minority—Lived at Large Sum in Tax Collection Saved.

The City Council made up for lost time last night—and this morning. It sat for over five hours. This was necessary in order to dispose of the big batch of business which the minority shirked on Monday night.

It was an important session. The contracts for the whole season's supplies were let and the reform in the system of tax collecting, which has been proposed for so many years, was finally effected, Major George W. Hayes being the appointee.

The meeting was called for 7 o'clock, but it was nearly 7:30 when a quorum of members was seated. Aid. Cooper again tried the game of obstruction, but was not so lucky as on Monday night. The attempted blockade began when Aid. Parnell moved that the minutes be adopted as printed.

Aid. Cooper then moved to have the minutes read in full, an excellent expedient for killing time.

Aid. Parnell accused Aid. Cooper of deliberate obstruction. Aid. Cooper of course denied the charge.

The mayor ruled Aid. Cooper out of order.

Bylaws being the first order of business, Aid. Taylor moved that in connection with the bylaw to appoint a tax collector, applications for the position be first read.

The applications of Mr. Hayes and Mr. McCoubrey were then read.

Aid. Rumball, seconded by Aid. McCallum, then moved that the bylaw be read a third time and the name of George W. Hayes inserted.

Aid. O'Meara moved that the question be now put.

Aid. Taylor, seconded by Aid. Douglass, moved that the name of Hayes be appointed at a salary of \$900.

Aid. Winnett objected to the order of the council, but the mayor changed in order to make bylaws the first business. This, he claimed, required a two-thirds majority.

The mayor said that as this was a special meeting that rule did not apply.

Aid. Winnett asked why, if it was a special meeting, that general business was taken up.

The mayor said that he had the best legal advice in the city on the matter. He had taken this action not to put through any motion, but to get rid of a serious business. There was \$15,000 or \$20,000 worth of business belonging to the city, and he had taken this course to expedite business.

Aid. Carrothers objected to the bylaw being put first on the order paper, and he wanted himself recorded as believing that the bylaw as passed would be illegal. He could not see how those supporting Mr. Hayes could get an excuse of economy. They were moving to pay a man \$150 more than the present man was getting, and he knew Mr. Hayes by sight, but knew he had been unsuccessful with any man he had been with. He wanted the mayor and council to understand that the minority had not been the obstructionists. The minority had been there on every call, but the majority had not. Last Monday night, No. 2 committee met, and he moved Aid. Cooper to the chair, and Aid. O'Meara deliberately left and broke the quorum.

He thought Aid. Nutkins, after electing the chairman, which he was, should have gone back to the quorum on No. 2. The man who left a chair and broke the quorum was not fit to be on a committee.

The Mayor—Order.

Aid. Taylor said he would like to know how these taxes were to be collected, and how the assistants were to be appointed.

Aid. Rumball—I am only speaking for myself, but it is proposed that the total cost of collection shall not exceed \$1,900. When this was brought up, it was said they could not collect these taxes for \$1,500 a year.

Aid. Taylor—You have not answered my question.

The Mayor—He doesn't need to unless he likes.

Aid. Rumball reiterated his opinion that the collection of taxes would cost from \$1,900 to \$1,350 at the outside. He would vote for Mr. Hayes as tax collector; the assistants he knew nothing about. When this scheme was proposed, its opponents said it could be done for no such money, and that it would not make a success of collecting the taxes. They said that the collecting could not be done as well by salary as by commission. He (Aid. Rumball) claimed that they could collect taxes better and cheaper by salary. The promoters of this reform were responsible for its success, and they were going to put in a man who would do the work and do it right.

Aid. Rumball said that they had given him. He saw no unfairness in appointing the man they had named. He had nothing to say against the present collectors. But Mr. Lester was an old man, unable to do the work himself, though as a citizen he stood high.

Aid. Winnett said he was sorry because of the council's intended action. It was setting a precedent that a member would forget as long as he lived in the city. Rather than be guilty of such a thing, he would leave the party. It might be Mr. Hayes would hold his position no longer than a year. There was no charge or complaint against Mr. McCoubrey, and he would have put up guarantee bonds if he had been asked to, but no such request was ever made of him. Aid. Winnett contended that taxes should

not be collected by salary and he charged that public discussion had been stifled by the previous question being put. The city's business had been retarded it was not the minority's fault.

Old. Olmstead made a vigorous speech. It was hard to sit there, he said, and hear two or three men get up and talk a boy's economy—about the minority prate about being such fine men, who were always ready to stand up and never turn away. Judging by their physics the majority were just as respectable as the others.

As for the economy cry, he was not afraid to go to any ratepayer in London, no matter how strong a Conservative or Liberal, and lay this scheme before him. It had been costing the city \$2,150 a year to collect city taxes, and this year would have cost about \$2,400 under the old system. But this council had introduced a reform which would reduce that cost to not more than \$1,900 or \$1,350. The people would hold the majority responsible for its success, and yet the minority wished to stand up and have a say.

Mr. McNeill, having found he did not think the taxes would be collected. If the ratepayers wanted to do it, they looked to the council of this year to do it. For a number of years this scheme of economy had been proposed and now it had been effected. The minority had said nothing about the saving of \$500 or \$600 in a janitor's salary at the City Hall and the majority had not appointed a Grit.

Aid. Turner said he was surprised to find Aid. Rumball going in for economy, and then voting to pay a man \$150 more than an official who had tried and proved worthy and honest, while the other man had never proved anything. He would tell Aid. Rumball that the minority had just as much right to say "yes" as the majority (laughter). If the members of No. 1 committee had turned up Friday night there would have been necessity for a meeting on Monday night.

"I suppose I am the black sheep with your worship," said Aid. Cooper on rising.

The Mayor—The lamb, you mean. (laughter)

Aid. Cooper said he had certainly got some very black looks from his colleagues. He wanted to tell the mayor that whoever called his brother a fool was in danger of hell fire.

Great laughter, in which the mayor joined. Aid. Cooper went on to say he was not to blame. He said the business on No. 2 committee had been the shoulders of Mr. McCoubrey and he had talked about economy. He had not been made in open council.

Aid. Douglass said Aid. Rumball had been talking about economy. He was not a economist in voting to pay a man \$150 more than another man.

Aid. Rumball, seconded by Aid. McCallum, introduced the scheme ought to be allowed to complete it, as it rested upon their shoulders. Mr. McCoubrey had voted to take the position for \$900 if the council appointed the assistants, but Mr. McCoubrey had having said he would not do it.

Aid. Douglass said he had \$1,100 would not doubt say that he regarded a good many assistants. He had asked to accept anybody who would do it, but he did not think the scheme would be a success. If it did not prove to be such, he as one who voted for Mr. Hayes, would take his share of the blame, and would move to go back to the old system.

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Hayes, carried on the same vote reversed.

The mayor said it had been charged that Aid. Bennet stayed over one steamer before leaving in order to be present when this bylaw was put through. This, the mayor said, was not the case. He (the mayor) had suggested to Aid. Bennet that it would be improper for him, as chairman of the finance committee, to leave before the estimates had been presented. His worship pleaded for harmony among the members. He hoped this would be the last heard of the present question this year.

Aid. Cooper—it is hard to take it, though.

Old. Olmstead—Well, you had to take it.

CLOSING TALKS BY TROTT.

Much time was spent upon the clause of the Board of Works' report, submitted to the council the petition of Huron College for the closing of Talbot street, between St. James and Grosvenor, and for a grant of that land.

Mr. Alex. Harvey and other ratepayers in the vicinity presented a counter-petition, asking that the street remain as it is.

Deputations on both sides were heard.

Mr. V. Cronyn said the college was entitled to the full consideration of the council, as it had brought fully a quarter of a million dollars into the city.

Mr. W. J. Harvey said the closing of the street would injure Mr. Alex. Harvey's property, to which the street gave access. It was constantly used by the public, being 12 feet wide, and a block long, and was in one of the nicest parts of the city. The petition against closing it represented practically all property owners interested, except Huron College.

Mr. H. H. H. supported the college petition. There was not a single gentleman signing in Harvey's petition who was a property owner on the portion of the street affected. The property on both sides of the street was owned by Huron College, and no one would be injured.

Mr. Alex. Harvey claimed that the closing of the street would damage his property. The residents of that neighborhood had talked of making a park there, to be called St. James' Park.

Ex-Mayor Cowan said the residents of Talbot street strongly objected to closing up the street. He thought it would be an outrage. He was informed that \$1,000 had been offered for the land.

Aid. Parnell spoke strongly in favor of the college's request. The college was in financial difficulties, and the closing of the land would be a generous act.

Aid. Hunt, Olmstead and Stevely favored the college's request, and Aid. Douglass, Johnston and Cooper spoke against it.

Aid. Hunt moved that the college be granted the land for \$200.

Aid. Douglass moved that the street remain as it is. Lost, on this division.

Years—Aid. Johnston, Douglass, Carrothers, Winnett, Cooper, Turner, McCallum and Gerry—

Nays—Aid. Rumball, O'Meara, Hunt, Stevely, Olmstead, Dreaney, Nutkins and Gerry—

The motion to grant the college's petition was lost, and Aid. Carrothers' proposal to refer the question back to the committee to ascertain the value of the street, was carried.

SEWERAGE DEBENTURES SOLD.

Aid. Rumball presented the finance committee's report recommending the acceptance of the tender of Messrs. H. O'Hara & Co. for \$55,000 worth of 3½ per cent sewerage debentures. This was adopted.

THE BOARD OF WORKS.

The Board of Works' report, presented by Aid. Parnell, was long and important.

Mr. D. J. Sore's petition for compensation for an accident was filed, as the committee considered the sidewalk contractor should settle it.

Local improvement work may be done hereafter by day labor or contract.

Aid. Cooper moved that clause 4, relating to the tenders for graveling be referred back to the committee. Lost.

For supplying gravel the contracts were given, as follows: No. 1 ward, C. Barrett; No. 2, W. Donahue; No. 3, W. H. Gould; No. 4, George Smith; No. 5, Thomas E. Fox, and No. 6, O. Jarvis.

Maurice Baldwin had been recommended for the contract in No. 3, but Aid. Parnell, probably having the reform in mind, moved that Mr. Gould, the next lowest tenderer, receive it. All the Conservative members supported Baldwin, but failed to get him the contract.

George Smith will deliver the stone from the stone crusher.

Wm. Howie's tender was recommended for the laying of plank sidewalks using white pine, but on motion of Aid. Dreaney, Kernohan, Webster & Ferguson secured the contract.

A. D. Cameron & Son will supply glazed sewer pipe; E. North and W. J. Anthistle, the concrete sewer pipe; and W. J. Anthistle, the plain gutters. Mulhail will lay the pavestone gutters, and crossings, and the cedar block crossings, as well as furnish the blocks.

The stone crossings and gutters and the cedar blocks had been recommended to go to Maurice Baldwin, but the council granted the former to Mr. Mulhail instead. "I would not give a contract to Maurice Baldwin," it would help it," said the mayor. "It would be highly improper as long as this wood matter is unsettled."

The Conservative members again supported Baldwin.

The Dyment, Baker Co. will furnish lumber; Mr. S. H. Craig, the curbing; the London Foundry Co., the iron castings; C. Beckett, the Credit Valley crossing stone; and P. Mulhail, the St. Marys crossing stone.

Henry Griffin will sweep the block pavements and Market Square. W. George Oliver's petition for an allowance for improving Hellmuth avenue was filed.

Tenders will be called for the construction of a bridge to carry sewer pipes over the river at King street.

Private drain connections will be continued up to the property line, to prevent being worn up when the sewer is completed.

NUMBER THREE COMMITTEE.

One clause of No. 3 committee's report, submitted by Aid. McCallum, recommending that George McNeill's letter be turned out. The men who inaugurated this scheme were ashamed to follow it, and put it on Aid. Nutkins.

Aid. Taylor contended that there was no economy in it.

The amendment of Aid. Taylor and Douglass to substitute the name of Aid. McCoubrey for that of G. W. Hayes was lost on the following division.

Years—Aid. Taylor, Douglass, Carrothers, Winnett, Cooper, Turner and Dreaney—

Nays—Aid. Johnston, Rumball, O'Meara, Olmstead, Stevely, Hunt, Nutkins, Parnell, McCallum, Gerry—

The main motion, appointing Mr.

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Neill's claims, but was voted down. The Conservative members, except Aid. Winnett, voted for McNeill. J. G. Orchard will get the north side of Dundas, and Campbell & Chantler, the south.

The market will be picked, rolled and graded.

Mr. Wm. Blair's petition for watering Princess avenue, between Mainland street and Prospect avenue, was granted. Three horses for the fire department will be purchased.

Tenders for the collection and removal of garbage every two weeks will be advertised.

Market attendants will not be allowed to