

PEOPLE WILL VOTE ON SPRING WATER SCHEME
2,500,000 GALLONS MORE AT COST OF \$441,000

The Commissioners Make Public the Features of New Proposition.

WHITE SPRINGS AND KILWORTH

New Reservoir Planned for the North End and Higher Pressure for the City.

The water commissioners have brought down their scheme, and as hinted some time ago, it is a purely spring water proposition.

It takes in the Cronyn and White springs in the north, and also the Kilworth springs, west of Springbank, below Byron. Possibly 2,500,000 gallons daily will be added to the city's supply.

It does not provide for high-pressure, but increases the number of large mains throughout the city enabling the waterworks department to raise the pressure to 100 pounds throughout the city in case of fire, and gives a uniform pressure of 60 to 80 pounds at all times.

Cost of the Scheme.
The whole plan will cost \$441,000. It is distributed as follows: North branch, land damages, etc., for the Cronyn and White springs, \$45,000; collecting trenches and pipes, \$5,000; pipe to reservoir in north end, \$5,000; a total of \$85,000 for this water.

In addition there will be a five-million gallon reservoir to cost \$45,000; an engine to cost \$20,000; two 3,000,000-gallon pumping units, costing \$25,000, and station to cost \$10,000.

The new mains throughout the city will cost \$120,000.

2,500,000 Gallons of Water.
There will also be the Kilworth springs which will cost \$125,000.

For this expenditure there is a measured flow of one million and a half gallons of water, with the possibility of increasing this quantity to two and one-half millions of gallons.

It provides for a storage reservoir of five millions in the north end, for use in case of a large fire or in case the Springbank main should burst.

The scheme also provides for a uniform pressure throughout the city of from 60 to 80 pounds, and a pressure during fires of 100 pounds.

The additional mains cover both the east and west ends and also South London.

Adequate Protection.
It gives adequate protection to the manufacturers in the East End, and guarantees 100 pounds pressure to every section of the city in case of fire.

"The scheme provides a measured flow of a million and a half gallons of the best spring water," said Engineer Moore, in explaining the scheme. "That is well onto 50 per cent of the present supply at Springbank. I am positive it can be developed at no expense practically to two and one-half million gallons of water daily. It guarantees an abundance of water for many years."

Improved Pressure.
"In addition, the new mains will be tantamount to a high-pressure system. A uniform pressure of between 60 and 80 pounds will be given the city, and it can be increased to 100 pounds without difficulty. The addition of one or two fire engines would give us a practically high-pressure system. I understand the underwriters consider that if we had plenty of water and a couple more engines we would have a system almost as good as high-pressure."

More Mains.
"The increase in the number of mains is a very important matter. We would have to increase them no matter what scheme we submit. Owing to the increase of population some portions of the city have little water and scarcely any pressure at all. By this scheme we intend to put a 12-inch main down as far as Queen's Park giving plenty of water to that section of the city. It can be extended in any direction. There are two other mains of equal size in the southeastern section, so that that portion of the city is well cared for. There is also a 12-inch main running down Ridout street to Elmwood avenue."

"There will be a main connecting with the present mains in West London, giving that section of the city the most adequate protection."

The Big Main.
"The 20-inch supply main will run down Richmond and Clarence streets to Horton, giving the central portion plenty of water in case of fire. These mains will be attached to the present mains, so there will be plenty of water everywhere."

Some Meters To Be Used.
"In addition there will be a number of meters attached to business houses to protect the spring water. We will thus have enough to supply."

THE SPRING WATER SCHEME COST

Cronyn and White Scheme.

Land, right-of-way, and land damage \$ 45,000
Collecting tiles, gravel, and trenches at Cronyn and White springs 5,000
22,000 feet of light-weight, 12-inch, castiron pipe from Cronyn's and White's to covered reservoir, near city 36,000

Total \$ 86,000
One 5,000,000-gallon, covered storage reservoir, near city 45,000
One 3,000,000-gallon pumping unit of steam or gas producer type, with accessories 20,000
Two 3,000,000-gallon pumping units to be driven by gas engines or by electricity as an additional fire service reserve 25,000
Pumping station 10,000

Total \$100,000

Additional Distributing Mains, Hydrants and Valves.

Mains connecting to different parts of existing distributing system:
14,000 feet of 20-inch, castiron pipe 53,200
32,000 feet of 12-inch, castiron pipe 59,200
6,500 feet of 10-inch, castiron pipe 9,100

Additional hydrants and valves 8,500

Total \$130,000

Kilworth Scheme.

Land, right-of-way, and land damage \$ 20,000
Storage pond, 3,000,000 gallons 10,000
Six-inch conduit from Kilworth springs to Hobbs' 5,000
Collecting trench at Kilworth springs 1,000
Collecting trench at Hobbs' and Blizard's 10,000
Sixteen-inch conduit from Hobbs' to Springbank 65,000
Steam pump at Springbank pumping station 10,000
Incidentals 4,000

Total \$125,000

Grand total \$441,000

Annual Charges.

Interest and sinking fund \$28,400

Operating expenses 13,500

Total \$41,900

West London Child Badly Scalded

Walter Gash, the 16-months-old son of Mr. George Gash, No. 1 Edith street, West London, was badly scalded this morning, and lies in a dangerous condition at Victoria Hospital. His arms and body are burned fearfully.

This morning Mrs. Gash was washing in the back kitchen, and the youngster was playing about on the floor. The mother had just filled the washing-machine with boiling water, and commenced to wash. Unknown to her, the child crawled up beside the machine, and, seizing the plug, pulled it out.

The scalding water shot out in a stream, striking the child on the chest. His cries attracted his mother's attention and she hastily pulled him away from the machine.

Dr. John D. Wilson was summoned, and the baby was removed to the hospital. "The child is very badly burned, especially about the arms and body," he said to The Advertiser. "I can scarcely tell yet whether it will recover or not."

Capt. Case for the Assistant Chief

An assistant fire chief will be appointed at the next meeting of No. 3 committee, and so far as can be learned the position will go to Capt. John Case, who is at present in charge of the central fire station.

Some time ago it was thought that he would not accept the place, but now he has made application for the position, and there is no doubt that he will be given the appointment.

He is in direct line for it, being the oldest man in the department, and is eminently qualified for it. He has served for many years and has long been known as a fearless, conscientious fireman.

The promotion, well-merited and deserved, will be very popular in the city, as Capt. John Case has many friends. Lieut. Scott was recommended for the place by Chief Atkins, but it was on the understanding that Capt. Case would not be an applicant.

NOTHING NEW RE PACKING COMPANY

Negotiations Are at Standstill Pending the Receipt of the City Solicitor's Opinion.

There is nothing new regarding the Canadian Packing Company negotiations with the city owing to the fact that City Solicitor Meredith has not given his opinion as to the city's position in the matter.

"He has been out of the city considerably during the past week on account of the Niagara power suits, and will be away part of this week on the same mission."

"We can do nothing until he gives his opinion," said Mayor Stevely. "He will do that as soon as possible, and then we will be in a position to deal properly with the case."

Fire Department Figures.

The fire department had 11 runs during the month of November. There were 9 fires, 1 chimney fire, and one false alarm. The damage done was slight.

Swallowed Carbolic for Medicine
Sprints to Doctor and Is Saved

Princess Avenue Man Has Narrow Escape From Death By Poison.

Fred Jennings, of 623 Princess avenue, is in Victoria Hospital in a very serious condition as a result of taking a dose of carbolic acid this morning, in mistake for some medicine. Mr. Jennings had not been well and had been taking medicine for several days. This morning he made a mistake in the bottle, and before he knew it had swallowed about two drams of the acid. As soon as he realized what he had done Mr. Jennings ran to the office of Dr. C. H. Reason about a block away. His prompt action is probably all that saved his life, for the doctor was able to administer antidotes at once. A little later Mr. Jennings was removed to Victoria Hospital and the stomach pump applied. It is believed that his stomach is somewhat badly burned, but unless complications result the injury will not result fatally. At present Mr. Jennings is resting as comfortably as can be expected.

Nine Deaths From Tuberculosis
White-Plague Record for November

Stork Was Fairly Busy But the Marriages Show a Decided Falling Off.

The chief point of interest in the vital statistics of the month of November lies in the fact that no less than nine persons succumbed to tuberculosis during the 30 days.

This is the largest number of deaths from the disease during any one month for many years.

The second largest was in March of this year, when eight died from the white plague.

Of the number who succumbed this year two were infants less than one year old.

For the eleven months of this year there have been 47 deaths from tuberculosis. Last year there were 48, so the

A Four-Ton Elephant on Rampage
Charges Through New York Streets

Scared By Pig, Creates Terrific Sensation Before Being Captured.

New York, Nov. 28. — The antics of a tiny tame pig so frightened a four-ton elephant today that the big beast broke away from its keepers at the Hippodrome, crashed through several stout doors which barred her passage, and started on wild run towards the East River. Down Forty-third street to First avenue, and then through crowded Thirty-fourth street the huge beast swung along at a speed that amazed the crowd following, and spread consternation ahead of her. No hand was raised to stay her progress as she swept along busy Thirty-fourth street, dodging street cars and autos. Men, women and children darted into doorways to give the animal as free a path as possible, and horses reared and plunged when they saw the lumbering pachyderm bearing down upon them.

General Lake to Stay in Canada

Ottawa, Nov. 28.—Announcement is made in today's Canadian Associated Press service from London that Major-General Sir Percy Lake has been appointed to succeed Gen. Slater as quartermaster-general of the Indian army under Lord Kitchener. Upon inquiry here, however, it is learned that since this appointment was offered to Gen. Lake in India he has been induced to remain in this country.

Killed Trying to Save Her Pte Dog

Hamilton, Nov. 29. — Mrs. Beveran, a Polish woman, this afternoon sacrificed her life for her dog. With her husband and her canine pet she was walking along the street railway tracks intending to turn off at Birch avenue, along which street a suburban line runs. A street car came along and the woman and her husband jumped to safety. It was at this second that the

Two Jap Steamers Go to the Bottom

Chefoo, China, Nov. 30. — Two Japanese steamships collided off this port today. Details of the accident are lacking, but it is reported that 700 persons have been drowned.

Templeman Resigns Inland Revenue

Ottawa, Ont., Nov. 30. — Sir Wilfrid Laurier returned to the capital on Sunday. This morning Hon. Wm. Templeman, it is understood, tendered his resignation of the portfolio of inland revenue. It is not known yet what action will be taken by Sir Wilfrid in regard to the resignation.

42 Building Permits in November

November was a great month for building, no less than 42 permits having been issued, with a total value of \$76,790. It is understood that the valuation given is much less than the real value of buildings erected, and that the total will be much above \$80,000.

Permits were issued this morning to Mr. George Hyatt for a two-story brick residence on Lorne avenue, and to Mr. J. Fritz Beck for a two-story brick residence on St. George street.

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Total Deaths, 55.

The total number of deaths during the month was 55, an increase of 16 over the same month of 1907. Of this number 15 were over 70 years of age, and three were 80 years of age and over.

There were four deaths from pneumonia and one from cancer. No less than 26 infants died during the month.

The Stork on the Move.

The stork was moderately busy, visiting 74 homes. Last year there were 94 births during November.

Slump in Marriages.

There was a considerable slump in marriages during the month, only 30 being recorded. Last November there were 57, so that Dr. Cupid is not congratulating himself on his great work during leap year.

There is only one month more, and then the open season for bachelors will be closed. It is up to the fair sex to get busy.

Between Second and First avenues, the frightened beast stopped short and plunged into the entrance of a tenement house. The passageway was too narrow to admit her immense bulk, but the elephant threw her weight forward and the sides of the doorway crumbled. Trotting through the long hallway she forced an exit in the same manner, and then started on a wild rampage through backyard fences. By the time her keeper arrived on the scene she had swept through half a dozen of these frail obstructions. The keeper finally succeeded in getting a rope around the elephant's legs, and by making the rope fast to a clothes-pole held her until help arrived, and the beast was securely tied.

Then came the problem of getting her back to the playhouse, where she, with three companions, is one of the attractions. The beast refused to leave the yard, and as a last resort the three other elephants were led to the scene. When they arrived the big beast became as tractable as a kitten, and the four were driven back to the Hippodrome.

The quartermaster-generalship in India is a much better post financially than Sir Percy occupies in this country, and might be a good deal better, as it is in the case of Lord Kitchener himself, to the chief command. But it is urgently desired that he should remain in Canada to help in carrying out the grand work of militia extension which was begun some years ago.

woman noticed that her dog was still between the rails, and was in danger of being run over by the quickly approaching car. Without heed to her own danger Mrs. Beveran ran to the track and grabbed her dog, but she was too late. The car struck her on the head and rendered her unconscious. She was taken to the city hospital, where she died an hour afterwards.

Tokio, Nov. 30. — The report that two Japanese steamships have been sunk, and seven hundred lives lost, has also been received here, but there are no particulars.

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"The new building bylaw has had one good result," said City Architect Nutter. "We have been able to keep track of all buildings erected, and also the value of them. Heretofore London has cut somewhat of a sorry figure in trades journals owing to the small number of building permits. Now that the true state of affairs is known London's position is very much better."

CLEVER GANG OF THIEVES
BALKED WHILE WORKING GAME

Quartet of Fur Robbers Alleged to Have Operated in Toronto Attempt to Lift Furs in a Dundas Street Store But Are Foiled.

A clever gang of thieves who have been operating in different cities of the province, have given the local police a good deal of anxiety lately.

The gang, which consists of two men and two women, have been very successful. In Toronto they succeeded in making away with \$1,500 worth of furs from one establishment without being caught. A day or so ago the local police were notified that the gang were moving in this direction, and as a precautionary measure the fur-dealers of the city were warned to keep on the lookout.

Saturday night about 9 o'clock the persons in question, it is alleged, entered the store of J. & D. Ross, Dundas street.

They were about middle age, and all well dressed, the women wearing long coats, under cover of which it is supposed they are in the habit of secreting the furs.

Two, who acted as husband and wife, entered together, the other two separately, taking no notice of one another.

Mr. Ross at once suspected them, and leaving a customer whom he was

serving, went over to one of the men who was feigning intoxication, and asked him what he wanted.

Left the Store.

Seeing that he was watched the man made some excuses, and left the store touching one of the women on the arm as he left. Mr. Ross pretended to turn away, and saw the woman signaling the other couple.

The man made a pretense of buying something for his wife, but found he hadn't enough money, and so left the store. Later the same gang were seen at another store, having changed hats in the meantime.

That they are very clever crooks is evidenced by the fact that though they are suspected of being implicated in several robberies, absolutely no evidence has yet been secured against them.

Owing to the warning of the police, no losses have been reported by the local merchants, a close watch being kept on the suspects, who, finding that the place was becoming uncomfortable for them, left town this morning.

Pope Pius Has Serious Relapse

All Audiences Are Cancelled

Owing to Fever the Pontiff Must Keep to His Bed.

Rome, Nov. 30.—Because of a severe cold, the Pope has suffered a relapse, which is causing some anxiety. Owing to a slight fever, he is obliged to remain in bed. Drs. Petacci and Marchisavi visited the Pope, and after a careful examination announced that if proper care were taken, with thorough rest, that they felt sure that no complications would arise.

All audiences have been suspended, including those of Archbishop Glennon and Bishop Allen, of Mobile.

This morning a special representative from Portugal expected to present the Pope with gifts from King Manuel in honor of the recent priesthood jubilee, but because of the Holy Father's indisposition these plans were countermanded.

Will Form First Aid Association

Londoners Are Moving to This End

A Meeting Has Been Called for This Evening in the Southern Congregational Church.

A number of men in this city holding St. John's Ambulance Association first aid certificates are endeavoring to form a brigade, and will hold an organization meeting at the Southern Congregational Church this evening.

Dr. Niven, chairman of the board of health, and Archdeacon Richardson are now delegates to the association at Toronto, the Canadian headquarters.

Speaking to The Advertiser, Dr. Niven stated that an attempt had been made a number of years ago to form a brigade here, but as citizens did not give it the necessary financial support it was dropped.

Classes were held and difficulty was

again met with, as persons who desired to become members did not come forward with the fee, which amounted to about \$2.

Twenty Hold Certificates.

Mr. Wm. Loveday, of 65 William street, is now behind the move, and states that he has already secured the names of about twenty persons in the city holding the certificates.

If the scheme is successfully carried out a cabinet system similar to that of the fire department will be installed in the homes of the members and in fact, the brigade will turn out as speedily as possible to all accidents to render first aid to the injured.

In many cases such men are able to respond more speedily than physicians and are educated to administer the first aid. No fee is charged by any member, as the association is formed merely for the purpose of helping others.

An effort will be made to raise funds by giving entertainments periodically. A subscription list will also be kept.

Costly Fire at a Berlin College

Berlin, Nov. 29.—The novitiate building of the St. Jerome College was badly gutted by fire this morning. The damage will be at least \$30,000. The fire caught the students asleep, but they were able to get out, although most of them had not sufficient time to dress.

The attention of the firemen and students was directed to the new \$75,000 addition, and only by extra

efforts on the part of the firemen and students this building saved.

George Reese, a third-year student from Mount Carmel, Pa., almost lost his life in breaking a hole through a wall to lay a line of hose. He was pulled out twice unconscious, but went back again and completed the task. To his bravery is credited the saving of the new college proper.

Two wings are gutted and will have to be rebuilt.

Highwaymen Rob a St. Thomas Lady

St. Thomas, Nov. 28.—While on her way to visit a relative Miss Annie Hurst, of this city, was held up and robbed this evening near Sutherland & Innes' mill. The men got \$150.

Miss Hurst was walking along Second avenue when two men stepped up from behind and seized her. She was thrown to the pavement, despite her struggles, and a handkerchief placed over her mouth. One of the men seized

her chatelaine and took out \$150, all the money it contained. Miss Hurst meanwhile had fainted and the men made their escape.

The police were notified, and the young lady removed to her brother's residence. Her condition is quite serious, as she is suffering from nervous shock.

The police have little to work on, as Miss Hurst cannot furnish any description of the men.

Amount of Mail Is On the Increase

There is already an increase noticeable in the amount of mail that is handled at the local postoffice, and from a swell after Christmas there will be a steady growth in the number of bags of mail handled.

"We can always tell when the Christmas mail is commencing," Postmaster Cameron told The Advertiser this afternoon. "Yesterday we had three sweet-smelling, noisy parcels in the mail, which turned out to be plum puddings from England to people in this over."

HEAVY GALES COMING.

Toronto, Nov. 30.—The meteorological office has warned the shipping on the Great Lakes to expect heavy southwest and northwest gales late tonight and on Tuesday.

—Captain Tom Robson is away for a week attending the fat stock show in Chicago, at which he is to officiate as one of the judges of cattle.