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HAMILTON NEWS

VERDINS GOT THE LICENSE. (CARTAGE ASSESSMENT)

One J. D. McKay is Said to Have Worked the Police Commissioners Neatly.

Mr. A. Bruce, Q. C., Gets After the New Finance Committee at Its First Meeting.

SOME POLICEMEN SAID TO BE GRIFF

WANTS OVER \$4000 KNOCKED OFF

Chief Smith's Report—County Council's Financial Statement—News of All Sorts.

Hamilton, Jan. 26.—(Special.)—The Verdin Transfer Company, Toronto, who were refused a cart license some time ago, are alleged to have worked a sharp trick on the Board of Police Commissioners this afternoon. An application for a cart license, with permits for three drivers, was received from one J. D. McKay. Chief of Police Smith, who had endorsed the application, was asked if the applicant was known to him or connected with the Toronto corporation. He replied that enquiries were made, but he had forgotten the details of the report. The license was granted. This evening it was stated that McKay is manager of the Verdin Company.

Street Railway Company and Others Also Ask Concessions—Harbor Committee Met.

Hamilton, Jan. 26.—(Special.)—The new Finance Committee held its first meeting to-night. A. Bruce, Q. C., addressed the members in regard to the Canada Life and Street Railway assessments. In the case of the Canada Life he asked for a rebate of \$4000.00. He said that prior to 1897 the company was assessed for \$40,000.00, but in 1898 it was reduced to \$20,000.00. Last year the assessment was \$20,000.00. Mr. Bruce stated that this should be further reduced to \$15,000.00.

Sunny Ways Wanted.

Aid Bill Board and Finance of the Markets Committee asked the Board to appoint a special constable to be detailed to duty on the market. The Board has agreed to do so.

Trade Representative and Vessel Owners.

The trade representative and vessel owners of the whole district met at the Hotel Hamilton to-day to discuss the proposed new tariff on the Great Lakes.

Chief Smith presented his annual report, showing that 1365 persons were arrested during the year. The number of indictable offences committed was 367. There were 25 cases of shoplifting, 24 of housebreaking and 10 of larceny. The value of stolen property recovered was \$276.

County Knightly Banquet.

The annual banquet of the Knights of the Macdonalds was held in the Merchants Restaurant to-night. Dr. Baugh presided, and J. H. Robinson was in the vice-chair. Speeches in response to the toast, "James Macdonald," were made by Senator D. P. Markey, Port Huron; Dr. A. E. Bell, Cobourg; J. M. Sheppard, St. Catharines; and J. M. McClelland, St. Catharines.

Carnival and Race.

There was a fancy dress carnival and a one-mile steeple chase at the Crescent Rink last night. There were five entries for the race, which was won by J. H. Robinson. McDonald won in 3:10. He was closely followed by Alex. McKean, Harry Young, and J. H. Robinson. Mr. Thompson was referee, and J. A. McKay time-keeper.

The Pigeons All Judged.

The judging of pigeons at the annual Poultry Show here was completed to-night by Charles Wagner, Jr., president, and the prizes were won by Norman Jones, N. D. McFie, Hamilton; W. M. Anderson, Palmerston; W. G. Brock, W. H. Brantford; and Huchegard Bros., Heidelberg. Poultry will be judged to-morrow.

An Exciting Race.

A team of horses belonging to Albert Goodale, an Ancaster butcher, ran away from King-street, and smashed through the rig. They caused much excitement, going on the sidewalks.

Police Points.

Wesley Williams came before the magistrate to-day on the charge of theft, laid by Amyr J. Berger. He is charged with the theft of a watch and a pair of shoes, valued at \$100.00, belonging to a woman named Barclay and Kilday, who were sent down on Tuesday.

Prominent People.

Mr. G. F. Henderson has been elected president of the Ottawa Board of Trade. Hon. J. I. Tarte is confined to his home at Ottawa with sickness and was unable to attend the Fisher banquet at Waterloo, Quebec.

He Wants \$200.

Mr. George Cushe, wholesale butcher, is suing the Barton Township Council for \$200 damages in the County Court for loss alleged to have been sustained last month through the unsafe condition of a road on which his horse was injured.

Minor Matters.

A deputation from Vineland will wait on the G. & B. directors next Monday afternoon to ask them to extend the line to that village.

Stock Yards.

It is said the projectors of the stock yards have all the stock they require subscribed. The capital is \$50,000. The whole has not yet been secured, but it has been arranged for and no outsider can purchase stock. It is likely the yards will be in operation during the spring.

George Rogers Not Dead.

It was reported a few days ago that Mr. George Rogers of St. Catharines was dead. That is not so. Mr. Rogers is alive and enjoying excellent health. In the words of Mark Twain: "The reports of his death were greatly exaggerated."

Price Cuts in Dressy Fur Capes.

For the simple reason that they want to sell them, no other cause for cutting the price of dressy fur capes, which have been offered these two special lines of fur capes, very stylish, correct lengths, at these special prices, is to be had. Fifteen choice Grobe Capes, with electric roll collar and rib, 11 inches deep, and heavy brown satin lining, sold right along all season for \$24. To clear these the price has been cut to \$17. And 25 Electric Seal Capes, rich Persian lamb yoke, along dressy little shoulder garments, comfortable and warm. Prices reduced to \$13.30. These are very special.

Grand Trunk Shares were bid for excitedly after business hours on the London Stock Exchange yesterday.

Editor World: I like your many words in re the Tampa trip, but am of the opinion it would be well to let our boys go. They are not properly trained for the proper spirit. To ensure property, let them be well informed and armed, but above all things these boys must carry our flag. His presence in the ranks will be an object lesson to the heeds all the way from the Detroit River to Tampa. It will denote that the old red cross banner still waves over 3,000,000 square miles of North America, and that 6,000,000 Canadians at its back. Summoning the Union Jack should be the motto of our boys. George's Hall and Crusty Ben Franklin, notwithstanding, monarchy of the British type, will remain here to me. I will not be induced to subscribe to a suitable flag and for that purpose enclose my card, which can be handed to the committee. Maple Leaf.

W. E. Hauer, on behalf of the Crown, yesterday entered an appeal before Judge Macdougall against the decision of County Magistrate Ellis, in dismissing the case of alleged illegal sale of liquor by Neil Macdonald, ex-convict, on Oct. 19 last. The argument was mainly on the question of the magister's jurisdiction to try the offence. A. Du Verney opposed the application. Judgment was reserved.

Wanted Union Labor.

The Stenographers' Union held a special meeting to-day to discuss the proposed revision of the by-laws. They also condemned the action of those members who did not attend the meeting to try to influence the clothing made by union labor only.

Fortunate are they who use Baker's Dandruff Shampoo Soap and know you are using a fine antiseptic.

It is announced that Cecil Rhodes has abandoned his scheme of a railway from the Cape to Cairo for the present, and will confine his efforts to securing the guarantee for the extension from Bulawayo to Zambesi.

The Mexican volcano Colima is again in eruption.

IS HE NOW A BOBBY AND A CHINAMAN?

A Young Chinaman in Toronto Said to be the Son of a High Official in China King.

HE TELLS A VERY ROMANTIC STORY

As to How He Narrowly Escaped Being Wedded Against His Will by the Tea Box Route.

There lives in Toronto to-day—and he has been a resident of this city for a year—a member of a noble family in China. He is said by his friends from the Orient to be a real Chinese mandarin. His cultured bearing and educated style gave the secret away. It did not come out in the first place by any word of his own utterance. But this mandarin has a romantic story, which "The World" drew from him with much detail, although he both speaks and writes the Queen's English. His card reads "Charlie Wah," and he carries on the business of a landyaman for a living, not to mention his noble blood. Charlie's sign hangs out at 236 Dundas-street, where he is doing business every day.

James McDonald, a Guarded Patient in St. Michael's Hospital, Steals Away in Dead of Night.

CRAWLED THROUGH WINDOW BY LANE

A Policeman Saw Him and Took Him Back—He Dressed Being Sent to Jail.

A great deal of excitement prevailed at St. Michael's Hospital yesterday morning, when it was discovered that James McDonald, a guarded patient, had made good his escape. McDonald had been in the hospital since last Monday night, suffering from a serious attack of grip, which was also accompanied by a slight derangement of the mind. He was under the close watch of a nurse, and a careful watch kept over his movements. McDonald, who is an old man, had a blanket around his body, and he crawled under the window and crawled out into the rear garden. He was seen by a policeman, who took him back to the hospital. McDonald was taken to the jail, where he is now being held.

ON AND OFF THE STAGE

"The Little Minister" at Home.

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ACCOUNTANTS.

HENRY MACLEAN, Public Accountant, Auditor and Assessor, 34 VICTORIA STREET.

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