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AT OSGOODE HALL TO-DAY.

High Court, 11 a.m. Cases set down for argument before Mr. Justice Rose: Canada Co. v. Beachamp, Stern v. Imperial, Witmark v. Imperial, Daly v. Carl Rock, Daly v. J. C. Rock, Murray v. Anderson.

High Court, 10 a.m., non-jury sittings. Peremptory list: Barber v. McCuaig, Vich v. Carroll, G.N.W. Co. v. Stephens, Patten v. Great Northern, Cayley v. Credit Foncier.

Divisional Court sittings, 10 a.m.: Swayzie v. Fawkes, Heber v. McKinney, Drum v. Ottawa, Gilmour v. St. George, Murray v. Wurtle, Towner v. Hiawatha.

JOHN BARWICK IS DEAD.

A Pioneer of Oxford County, and Lately Postmaster of Drumbo, Taken Off Suddenly.

Drumbo, Ont., Sept. 13.—John Barwick, postmaster of this village for a number of years past, died suddenly this afternoon at the C.P.R. Station. The deceased, who was upwards of 80 years of age, was in the act of speaking to the C.P.R. agent, when he fell to the door, expiring in a few minutes without speaking. He was a member of the Anglican Church, a life-long Conservative and an ardent admirer of the late Sir John A. Macdonald. He was very active during his early years in municipal affairs, being Reeve of Blandford Township for 21 years. He was unmarried. Walter Barwick, Q.C., of Toronto, is a nephew of deceased.

THE KINGSTON FAIR.

Melody Filled the Air and Picton Got the Best of It in the Band Tournament.

Kingston, Ont., Sept. 13.—About 8000 or 10,000 attended the Kingston District Fair to-day. The weather was decidedly cold. Chief events were the musical tournament and horse races. There were about ten bands in attendance and an afternoon of melody was the result. The prizes were thus awarded:

Gananoque first for uniform and playing. Picton first for marching past, Kingston city band second.

Picton first for lady cornettist, Picton first prize for largest number in band.

The horse races were lively and the decisions given were:

Green race—Minnie H., T. Haley, Kingston, 1; Sir Knight, W. J. Lyons, Kingston, 2; Donnybrook, J. Timlin, Belleville, 3; Billy M., S. S. Metcalfe, Seeley's Bay, 4. Best time 2.22.

Running race—Wilfrid Laurier, Frank Smith, Southcote, Ont., 1; Spring Blossom, D. J. Arnold, Toronto, 2; Gipsey Girl, W. F. Watts, Cannington, 3. Best time 24 sec.

The balloon ascension and parachute jump occurred at 6 p.m. successfully.

To-night was given over to fun, frolic and fireworks. There was a large attendance.

DAN AGAIN IN THE COOLER.

His Old Trick of Using a Knife Has Got Him Into Fresh Trouble.

Gravenhurst, Ont., Sept. 13.—The notorious Don McCaulay of Severn Bridge is again in the cooler, this time under a charge of stabbing Edward Rutherford with a pocket knife while in a drunken brawl. McCaulay is an old offender, having only lately served a three years term at Kingston Penitentiary for a like offence. The arrest was made by Wm. Hamilton, constable of Severn Bridge, the first man who has ever arrested the prisoner single handed. The hearing has been adjourned till to-morrow morning.

Forever Laid to Rest.

A large contingent of members of Dominion Lodge, C.O.O.F., and Diamond Lodge, L.T.B., followed the remains of their late brother, Jared Watson, to Mount Pleasant Cemetery yesterday afternoon. Services at the family residence, 174 Shaw-street, and at the grave were conducted by Rev. E. S. Rowe of Euclid-avenue Methodist Church. There were placed on the casket many floral offerings, including a wreath and cross from the Foresters and True Blues.

County Court Cases.

All the cases set down for trial in the County Court yesterday were either settled or adjourned. There is only one more jury case to be tried—that of Macdonald v. Davis and it will be heard this morning. The other non-jury cases on the peremptory list are McNally v. Boisseau, Denison v. Toronto Glass Company, McGeoch v. Barrett, McNair v. Skeans, Ward v. Parsons, McKendrick v. McEachren.

Yellow Jack at New Orleans.

Washington, Sept. 13.—Surgeon-General Wyman to-day received official confirmation of the existence of four cases of yellow fever at New Orleans.

Bicyclist's Jaw Broken.

Kingston, Ont., Sept. 13.—R. J. McClelland, engaged in the Canadian Express Office, collided with another cyclist last night, with the result that his jawbone was fractured.

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ABOLISH THE WATER RATES.

This Was Ald. Spence's Proposal to the Special Committee at City Hall Yesterday.

LARGE SURPLUS IS COLLECTED.

City Treasurer's Figures—Brewers' Deputation—Bylaw Blocks the Way—City Hall Notes.

The chief topic of interest at the City Hall yesterday was water rates. City Treasurer Coady submitted figures to the sub-committee appointed to take up the question of reducing these rates, which show that substantial reduction can be made. These figures and others he was requested to obtain will be printed and considered by the committee a fortnight hence. No effect can be given to a request of brewers to be rated as manufacturers under the present bylaw. Ald. Spence gave notice of a motion to abolish all water rates and have the sum necessary to collect placed in the general taxes.

Sent by the Controllers.

Chairman R. H. Graham announced that a deputation of brewers and maltsters wished to make a representation as to the incidence of their water rates. They had previously done this before the Board of Control, and had by that body been referred to the Waterworks Committee.

Brewers Are Manufacturers.

Mr. Eugene O'Keefe was chief spokesman. He said that the body he represented merely wished to protest against discrimination against them; they simply wished to pay manufacturers' rates. He maintained that brewers are manufacturers, and caused some laughter when he said it takes 13 gallons of water to make a gallon of beer.

Brickmaker v. Brewer.

Ald. Russell failed to see the difference between a brewer using water to make beer and a man using water to make bricks. Why should the city require more from a brickmaker than a brewer?

The chairman said the bylaw regulated this. Nothing was being done contrary to the present law.

Ald. Davies supported the contention of the deputation, and said the discrimination against brewers and maltsters was decidedly unfair.

Bylaw at Fault.

Ald. Crane laid all the fault on the bylaw, which, he said, was clumsily framed and hastily rushed through Council. Many persons were supplied with water at less than cost of production and others were overtaxed. The best thing to do would be to repeal the bylaw; then they could deal with brewers and other concerns on their respective merits.

Illegal Collection.

Ald. Stewart strongly supported the brewers' contention. Last year the city collected $107,000 illegally. It took from the people that amount more than is required to run the Waterworks Department.

The chairman stated that the committee was powerless to give effect to the representations of the brewers.

City Treasurer's Report.

The chairman produced a report by City Treasurer Coady, which showed that the revenue of the Waterworks Department has during the past five years been far in excess of the expenditure. The gross revenue of the department from 1894-98, inclusive, has been, approximately, $2,300,000, and the expenditure for maintenance of the department, including cost of pumping and all running expenses, has been $768,347. The amount paid for interest and sinking fund on debentures issued for waterworks purposes during the same period was $1,124,842, making the total expenditure less than $1,900,000. This shows a clear profit in the five years of nearly $400,000, or, in other words, consumers of water in the city have been called upon during those years to pay that amount for this great necessary of life in excess of actual cost of supplying it to them, an average of about $80,000 per annum.

Surplus Over Revenue.

During 1898 the revenue collected from individual citizens was $382,578; from the corporation and other large consumers, $83,435 was collected, and from miscellaneous sources the receipts amounted to $4720, making a total revenue of $470,733. The cost of maintenance of the mechanical and engineering branch of the department was $119,281, and the expenditure in the office branch $25,716, making a total expenditure for operation and collection of revenue of $144,997; the amount chargeable to the Waterworks Department for interest and sinking fund upon the debentures issued for waterworks purposes was $272,400, making a total expenditure of $367,397, and leaving a surplus of revenue over expenditure of $103,336.

Five Years' Comparison.

The revenue and expenditure, including interest and sinking fund, for five years past has been as follows:

	Revenue.	Expenditure.
1894	$448,758	$398,971
1895	444,112	385,743
1896	457,085	373,115
1897	461,273	367,963
1898	470,733	367,397
Total	$2,281,961	$1,893,189

How Rate Could Be Reduced.

If the proposal to make the interest and sinking fund a charge upon the general rate and collect from the consumers the actual cost of pumping the water were acted upon, only about $150,000 per annum would have to be raised in water rates, and the water rates could be reduced to one-third the present tariff.

More Figures Needed.

The chairman wished for more information than Mr. Coady's figures afforded; for instance, the total debt charged against the waterworks, also the cost of construction and other details. These figures Mr. Coady said he would endeavor to obtain before the next meeting of the committee a fortnight hence.

Abolish Water Rates.

Ald. Spence said there was ground for complaint by citizens of overcharging in water rates. Twenty million gallons were being pumped, and only half that quantity was used. He complained of the unjust levying of water rates, which bore heavily on the poor. Big buildings, outside manufactories, pay, he said, practically nothing. Wage-earners and householders paid the greater amount. Justice would never be done until water rates were abolished altogether, and the cost of running the department put into the general tax rate.

In concluding a vigorous speech, Ald. Spence gave notice that at the next meeting he would move that, in the opinion of the committee, legislation should be applied for in order to effect this reform in water rates.

Police Protection.

Chief of Police Grasett has written the Mayor that the complaint against inefficient police protection in the West End of the city is due to the limited number of men on the force. The West End, he says, has its full share of the police, compared with other sections of the city.

Notes.

Medical Health Officer Sheard yesterday raised the quarantine in the smallpox case on Fern-avenue.

Building permits were granted yesterday as follows: To W. G. Blackwell, two-storey and attic brick residence, Glen-road, $6000; to W. J. Marshall, two-storey and attic brick store, Jameson-avenue, $4000.

The Assessment Commissioner has received notice of 255 appeals in Ward 3.

Mr. Fitzgerald, in charge of the Labor Bureau at St. Andrew's Market, reports that he has more applications for laborers than he can supply.

Tenders Opened.

In order to facilitate business at the next meeting of the Board of Control, the following tenders were opened by a subcommittee yesterday afternoon. These were the lowest tenderers:

Concrete Walks.

By Gardner & Co.—Front-street, north side, York-street westwards, at $1.50 per foot; Bay-street, west side, King to Wellington, $1.67 per foot; Queen-street, south side, Bay to York, $1.66 per foot; Queen-street, north side, Gladstone to Dovercourt-road, $2.48 per foot; Adelaide-street, south side, Bay to York, $2.53 per foot; Wilcox-street, south side, St. George to Huron, 67c per foot; Sherbourne-street, east side, Queen to Wilton-avenue, 67c; Cecil-street, south side, Huron to Beverley-street, 55c per foot.

The City Engineer was lowest on the following works—Walmer-road, west side, Bloor to Lowther, 66c; Avenue-road, east and west sides, Davenport-road to Bloor-street, 66c; Huron-street, west side, Russell to Bloor-street, 67c; Bleecker-street, east side, Wellesley to Howard, 60c; Classic-avenue, both sides, Huron to Spadina-avenue, 45c.

The City Engineer and Gardner & Co. were equal on the following works—Shuter-street, north side, Jarvis to George-street, 67c.

Asphalt Pavements.

The lowest tenders for asphalt pavements were as follows—Lakeview-avenue, Dundas-street to Churchill-avenue, Construction and Paving Co., $6199; Front-street, Jarvis to George-street, City Engineer, $5647; Albert-street, Yonge to James-street, Construction and Paving Co., $3800; Gifford-street, Spruce to Carlton, Construction and Paving Co., $2481; Spadina-avenue, Knox College to Bloor-street, City Engineer, $25,178.

Other Tenders.

Macadam Roadways — Spadina-avenue, King to Front-street, City Engineer, $7351; Sackville-street, Wellesley street northward, $627, W. McKnight.

Brick Pavement—Grove-avenue, Foxley to Dundas-street, City Engineer, $3820.

Cedar Pavement—Broadway-place, Dominion Paving and Construction Co., $193.

Brick Sidewalks—Wellington-street, south side, York to Bay, W. McKnight, $1.29 per foot; Bay-street, east side, Front to Esplanade, W. McKnight, $1.29 per foot.

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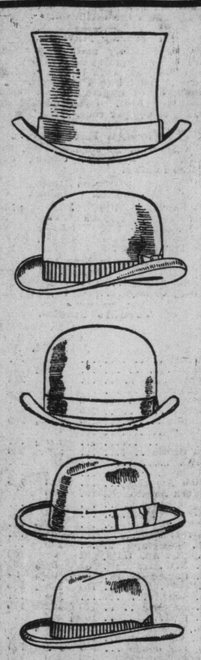

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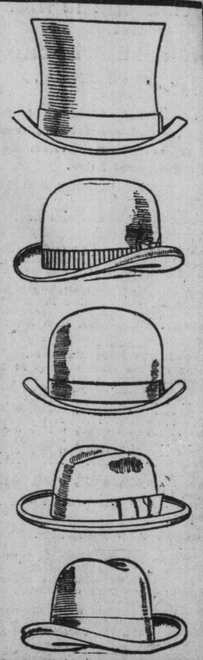

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