

THE HAMILTON TIMES

SATURDAY, OCT. 9, 1909.

WE PAY THE BILLS.

There is no longer any doubt as to the Hydro-Electric Commission's attitude toward this city's application for electric power. We are to be treated as if the power were paid for at the Dundas station on the main line. Hamilton must pay all the cost of bringing it to the points where it is to be utilized; must build at its own expense the transmission line from Dundas and must pay the cost and bear the loss of stepping down the power from 13,200 volts to whatever voltage it may wish to utilize it at. If the Commission builds any part of the line the cost will be charged to the city and it and the annual cost of maintenance and patrolling will be charged up to us. If the Commission installs meters and transformers, it will be done at our expense, as apart from the general scheme.

We can readily understand the eagerness of the local Hydro organ to represent it as advantageous to use current at 13,200 volts instead of at the 2,200 voltage, which has been found by experience to be the most useful. The Hydro-Electric Commission would gain by the arrangement; the city would lose. The Commission would save the cost and losses of stepping down the voltage, and it would be spared some expense for the heavier wire required on the line. The city would find itself obliged to put in the necessary transformers, and bear the expense and current loss, or provide motors made for the higher voltage and take all the risk connected therewith. If we use power at more than one point, we shall be faced with the problem of putting in more high voltage motors, or of adding additional lines and transformers.

The Commission's indisposition to deliver power at the point where the city desires it, and at the voltage which it selects, is not in keeping with its policy as set forth in the form of contract presented to the ratepayers. Its object in departing therefrom is evident. It wishes to have it appear that the current is sold to Hamilton at a low price; therefore, it leaves to Hamilton all the cost and loss of building and maintaining the line from Dundas and of the transformation of the current from 13,200 volts to whatever voltage may be found safe and economical for our use. The Commission is not concerned about Hamilton's interest in the matter.

TIME AT THE POLE.

A Times reader who has been following the Cook-Pearry discussion in the newspapers confesses to some mystification as to the references to time (the clock time) at the North Pole, and asks us to enlighten him as to the meaning of a paragraph which represented the particular hour as being a matter of no moment to the man on the axis of the earth, as it could be changed at his will by merely turning on his heel. We are also asked to explain the principle upon which standard time is computed and how it differs from solar time.

The paragraph referring to time at the axis of the earth was probably intended to illustrate the fact that at the poles—the axial points of a slightly flattened sphere—all the meridians or parallels of longitude converge. In the ordinary map this cannot be shown effectively, but by a geographical globe the study of the effects of sphericity on the computation of time by the sun is simplified. Each parallel of longitude begins at a point taken to be the South Pole and ends at a point taken to be the North Pole. The earth's circle is divided into 360 parts or degrees, each marked by one of these parallels. The parallel of Greenwich, Eng., is taken as 0, and the numbering is from that line east and west. Thus far an ordinary map suffices. But when these parallels are drawn on a sphere the distance between any two of them increases according to the curvature until the middle or equator is reached, and diminishes similarly to nothing at the polar point. Thus between two parallels of longitude on the earth's surface we get (roughly speaking) at the equator, 69.16 miles. At lat. 30 deg. this has decreased to 60 miles; at lat. 50 deg., to 44.12 miles; at lat. 80 deg., to 12 miles, and at lat. 90 deg., to nothing—all the lines converge.

Now as this sphere, the earth, revolves as a solid, the 24,900-mile circle of the equator turns around once in 24 hours, just as do the lesser circles. That of lat. 30 deg., 21,581 miles; that of lat. 50 deg., 16,036 miles; that of lat. 80 deg., 4,333 miles, and the axial point or pole where all the lines meet, and which is the mathematical point or pivot, all make one complete revolution in the same time. Every time the earth checks off 15 degrees our clocks mark an hour; 24 times 15 degrees completes a day and a revolution. The hour is just as long (in duration) at parallel 90, with its 4,333 miles of rotation, as it is at the equator with its 24,900 miles; and it is exactly as long at the pole or axial point.

Now if Cook stood on that axial point time moved on for him just as for the rest of us, whatever our latitude or longitude. The only difference was as to its reckoning. From where he stood all parallels proceeded southward. If, facing the parallel of Greenwich, he found it to be noon there, he had but to turn half round to find it midnight according to Greenwich time. But he could not advance or retard time by so doing. By turning around a few times he could not wind or unwind the clock of Eternity.

Standard time was devised to obviate the necessity of frequent changes of watches and clocks to adjust them to solar time, which changes with travel east and west. It is based on the principle which we have been explaining. The 360 degrees of the circle of the earth are divided into 24 parts or districts of 15 degrees each, and time-pieces are not changed within the territory. As soon as we cross into the next district westward we set back our watches one hour. Of course this time, which is so great a convenience to railway men, is useless for scientific observers, as it is easily to be seen that at only one point in traversing any particular district will it agree with sun time. It changes by jumps of one hour at each 15 degrees, while sun time moves steadily at a rate of four minutes to the degree.

Chicago municipal employees are up in arms against a scheme hatched by the Mayor and department heads to cut every salary from that of the Mayor to that of the humblest employee of the city 10 per cent. The proposal is regarded as rank anarchy, and no wonder. Increases, large and frequent, are the correct thing in municipal and school government in Chicago as elsewhere.

PEACE AT CLEVELAND.

The Cleveland Street Railway fight, which has gone on for eight years, to the great disturbance of that city, will probably be ended as the result of a conference recently held. All the difficulty arose through the contention of Tom L. Johnson for 3-cent fares throughout the city. The Cleveland Railway Company contended that 3-cent fares, with transfers, was impracticable, being inadequate to conduct the service and yield any return for the cost of the property. "Three-cent fares" was, however, an attractive fighting cry, and it was used in municipal politics for all it was worth by Johnson and his friends. Recently the experiment of a straight three-cent fare, with a charge of one cent for each transfer, was made, but it had to be abandoned, as it entailed an actual loss. This was a knock-down blow for Johnson's party, and it seemed probable that it would lead to his political eclipse at the next election. Probably an appreciation of this danger has led to a more reasonable frame of mind on the part of the malcontents. Anyway, a conference has just been held, which has resulted in the granting of a 25-years franchise to the company. It is provided that the fares shall not be greater than shall earn a return of 6 per cent. on the value of the property. The city reserves the right to purchase, if it chooses, after eight years. The fixing of the fares has, by agreement, been left to Judge Taylor, who has intimated that he will fix the cash fare at 4 cents or 7 tickets for 25 cents; transfers to be paid for at 1 cent each. The Cleveland Street Railway Company pays no franchise rental to the city, the benefit all going to the street railway users. This settlement seems to be a fare one. It is much less arbitrary than the Johnson scheme.

The story that Canada's herd of 650 buffaloes at Wainwright Park had been scattered over the prairie by the recent fire proves to be untrue. This is matter for congratulation. It is estimated that there have not been fewer than 1,000 cases of typhoid in Cobalt and the mining district. We are paying a dreadful price for the neglect of the Ontario Government health authorities. The Manitoba Grain Growers' Association has some big ideas. It proposes to lease the C. P. R. elevators at Fort William and to control the marketing of about 9,000,000 bushels of grain that may be stored in them. There will be no representative from Hamilton or its district on the new Advisory Council of Education. Not a candidate from this locality has been nominated. What's the matter with this great educational centre? The horrible crime of child murder is far too frequent in Canada. The remarks of the Coroner in the Turner case at Toronto yesterday indicated a belief that "baby farming" demands the immediate attention of the authorities. For a Christian town, Toronto has a long way to go in the practical application of its professions of righteousness. Toronto World. True; and our contemporary could find a great field for reform within its own sanctum. Wonder if the Water Rates Sub-committee got its backbone stiffened by its Toronto inquiry? Is it prepared to continue the gross injustice toward the householders as a concession to "getting revenue" or will it insist on equalizing charges? Waterloo County Teachers' Association is not enamored of the new Ontario primers. It has passed a resolution commending of them, and requested that the old Morang primer be restored to authorization. Surely this is something like lese majeste. Mr. Ratepayer, keep your eye on the men who seek to let you in for \$30,000 (that may reach \$75,000) for the purpose of buying park land on the Beach, while the demands of the city for street paving, sewers, water mains and park spots at home cannot be met. The big slump in some well known Co-belt stocks has hit some of the speculators hard. It appears, however, to have been entirely caused by manipulation. Nothing has been shown that would seem to warrant any such decline on the basis of the actual values of the properties. The Toronto Telegram is offended at Justice MacMahon because he ordered that delectable Tory witness Gates out of the witness box when, at the Peterboro election trial, he testified that he "would swear to anything for money." The fact that this man Gates was not believed by the court appears to cause the Telegram editor much anguish, and he protests against the proposal to de-

EDITORIAL NOTES.

The Duke of Bedford, who has a rent roll of \$2,000,000 a year, has cancelled his annual tea to his tenants in revenge for the budget taxes. The dukes are doing a great deal to make the budget popular.

Here is a quintette of hale old fellows: Lord Strathcona, 89, Sir Charles Tupper, 88, Sir Mackenzie Bowell, 86, Sir R. W. Scott, 84, Sir Sandford Fleming, 83. This is surely an age of patri-archs.

The Brantford Public School Board has decided to do away with the system of savings banks in connection with the schools. The trouble in this city is that for a considerable time past the inspector and teachers have adopted an unsympathetic attitude, and the inevitable has consequently happened.

A statement prepared by the City Hall shows that in its thirty-six parks and squares Montreal has property valued at over eleven and three-quarter million dollars. Mount Royal Park with Fletcher's field being down for nearly seven million dollars. Dominion Square for over a million, and Lafontaine Park for nearly \$600,000. The figures are large, but the properties are worth them from the public point of view.

How different it would be were the Telegram empowered to deport men! Soon this fair city would be nearly as empty and tenanted as the ruins of Nineveh. The Mayor and aldermen, with two exceptions, would be heading for the coral reefs in half an hour and most of the civic employees with them. The School Board would be packed off along with them. The drag net would next sweep all the other newspaper offices—not an errand boy would be spared. The Board of Trade members would be stacked up for shipment. The Railway Commission, the Library Board, nearly all the members of the Legislature, the Dominion Parliament, the Senate, the people who did not sign its marsh petition—but who pick and choose when the whole generation is perverse?

The visitors and members of the Home Department of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church gathered in the school room on Wednesday afternoon for a social time. Rev. J. A. Wilson gave a bright, helpful address. Solos and duets were sung by the Misses Moffat. Refreshments were served during the afternoon and a very pleasant time was enjoyed by all.

Naples, Oct. 8.—Considerable curiosity has been aroused here by the discovery of a great quantity of explosive material near the village of Posillipo, on the island of Gaiola. The material is stated to be sufficient to destroy the entire village in case of an explosion. It was all seized and thrown into the sea. An engineer, Signor Bernardo Picciolini, the proprietor of the island, has fled.

What a lot of unimportant things husbands and wives hide from each other!

Mr. and Mrs. William Vallance are giving a dance at the Conservatory of Music on Monday, October, twenty-fifth.

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Mr. Hugh McK. Donaldson and Miss Donaldson will receive Friday, October 15th, at 225 Bay street south, and afterwards the second and fourth Thursdays.

Society

Mr. H. F. Whitton has postponed her at-home, which was to have taken place on Thursday afternoon, till a day later in the month.

An at-home is to be given in aid of the Woman's Exchange at the Waldorf Hotel next Friday afternoon.

Miss Joan Malloch is a guest at Government House, Toronto.

Miss Grace Powis is spending the winter in New York.

Mr. Cheavis and Miss Bruce, who were staying with Mrs. Lucas, Rowanhurst, have returned to Toronto.

Miss Eugenia Gibson, Toronto, is the guest of Miss Elsie Doolittle.

Mr. William Vallance is giving an at-home on Monday afternoon, October 18, to introduce her daughter, Miss Emma Vallance.

Mr. E. B. Lancelley received her first calls since coming to the city on Thursday and Friday afternoons of this week at the parsonage of First Methodist Church. She was assisted in receiving by Mrs. W. H. Hewlett, Mrs. Hugh Conway (Grace Treleven) and Mrs. Charles McDonald (Zella Dexter), two of this season's brides of the church, and Friday respectively, assisted by Mrs. Lancelley's two daughters, Kathleen and Winifred. A very large number of the ladies of the church and others called. Mrs. Lancelley will be at home on the first and third Thursdays.

A marriage of much interest to Hamilton and Burlington people was that of Mr. Ernest V. H. White, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. William White, of Burlington, and Miss Jo Rawson, who, as a contralto soloist, has so delighted the people of First Methodist Church for the past three years. The wedding, which was a very quiet one, took place a week ago today at Port Arthur, Rev. Mr. Churchill officiating. Mr. and Mrs. White went on to Leithbridge, where he is engaged in the engineering work of a large railway undertaking. They will be for or five months there before returning to their home in Burlington.

Mr. William R. Mills has sent out cards for a dance at the Conservatory of Music on Friday evening, October twenty-second.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Young, Oak Bank, entertained at dinner on Wednesday evening in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Audrey Crookston, who are returning shortly to their home in Scotland.

Miss Betta Moore and Miss Jean McLaren have returned from a trip to England.

Miss Elsie Young is visiting in Chicago.

Mr. H. E. McLaren, Alma avenue, gave a delightful tea on Wednesday afternoon for Miss Buchanan, Pittsburg, who is staying with Miss McLaren, Charlton avenue. Mrs. D'Arcy Martin poured the tea and coffee at a table gay with Talvias in many small vases. The assistants were Miss Jean McLaren, Miss Annie Young, Miss Belle Macdonald. Among those present were Mrs. Turnbull, Mrs. Lucas, Mrs. Macdonald, the Misses Macdonald, Mrs. Sadler, Mrs. Storer, Mrs. Newburn, Mrs. David Thompson, Mrs. Connell, Mrs. Gerald Glasco, Mrs. Worsians, Mrs. George Mills, Miss Bell, Mrs. Stewart Houston (Toronto), Miss Elsie Young, Miss Kate Kennedy, Mrs. P. H. Alexander, Mrs. R. L. Innes, Mrs. Clarke, Miss Leeger, Mrs. Simonds, Miss Simonds, Mrs. Kirwan Martin, Miss Ridley, Mrs. S. O. Greening, Mrs. F. S. Glasco, Mrs. Strathmore Findlay, Mrs. Colleson, Miss Jean Hobson, Miss Agnes Hobson, Mrs. C. S. Wilcox, Mrs. Nesbitt, Mrs. Sydney Moore, Mrs. G. Denholme Burns, Mrs. E. Wright, Mrs. Harry Greening, Miss Mary Haslett.

Miss Dorothy Somerville, Chicago, is staying with the Misses Balfour, Duke street.

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Mr. (Rev.) J. Young will be at home the first and third Thursdays during the winter at 72 Emerald south.

Mrs. Ellsworth Smith has returned from Westfield, N. Y., where she sang at the wedding of Miss Ethel Stiglis and Mr. Walter Carroll, of New York city. Mrs. Smith won much praise for her pleasing voice and artistic singing.

Mr. and Mrs. John McCoy announce the engagement of their daughter, Margaret Bruce, to Mr. Harold V. Hamilton. The marriage will take place early in November.

Mrs. Arthur Rowe has moved to 181 Markland street, and in future will receive on Wednesdays, instead of Thursdays.

POST CARD PETITION

On Behalf of Mrs. Robinson Sentenced to be Hanged.

The Toronto District Women's Christian Temperance Union has instituted a post card petition in behalf of Mrs. Anna Robinson, now under sentence of death at Sudbury. Acting under legal advice, we, with good reason, believe give a nick to the gallows. Her life will be spared and her friends will have time in which to take further measures.

We make through the courtesy and generosity of the press a three-fold appeal:

1. Will every editor who receives this appeal kindly publish it in his next issue?

2. Will every man and woman who reads this request comply with its demands?

3. Will you do it at once, for the unhappy victim has only six weeks to live.

Our request is: Write a postal card as follows: "I respectfully beg of you to recommend that the death sentence passed on Anna Robinson be commuted."

Sign your name and place of residence, address it to the Hon. A. B. Aylesworth, Ottawa, Canada. Do it now.

Mrs. Fred C. Ward, President. Mrs. Will Pugsley, Supt. Legislation and Petition. W.C.T.U. Headquarters, Toronto, Ont.

A NICKEL FOR THE LORD.

Yesterday he wore a rose on the lapel of his coat and when the plate was passed he gave a nick to the gallows. He had several bills in his pocket, and sundry change, perhaps a dollar's worth, but he hunted about, and finding this poor little nickel, he laid it upon the plate to aid the church militant in the fight against the world, the flesh and the evil. His silk hat was beneath the seat and his gloves and came were beside it, and the nickel was on the plate, the whole nickel.

On Saturday afternoon he had had a gin rummy at the Queen's, and his friend had had a fancy drink, while the cash register stamped 35 cents on the slip. He presented him with a coin of a 100, he handed it to the lad, and gave him a nickel tip when he brought back the change.

A nickel for the Lord and a nickel for the waiter. And the man had his shoes polished on Saturday afternoon, and he had not a dime without a murmur. He had a shave, and paid 15 cents with equal alacrity. He took a box of candies home to his wife, and paid 40 cents for them, and the box was tied with a dainty piece of ribbon. Yes, and he also gave a nickel to the Lord.

Who is this Lord? The man worships Him as Creator of the Universe, the One who put the stars in order and by whose immutable decree the heavens stand. Yes, he does, and he dropped a nickel in to support the Church militant.

And what is the church militant? The Church militant is the Church that represents upon earth the Church triumphant of the great God the man gave the nickel to.

And the man knew that he was but an atom in space and he knew the Almighty was without limitation. Knowing this he put his hand in his pocket and picked out the nickel and gave it to the Lord.

And the Lord being gracious and slow to anger, and knowing our frame, did not slay the man for the meanness of his offering, but gives him this day his daily bread.

Put the nickel was ashamed if the man wasn't.

The nickel hid beneath a quarter that was given by a poor woman who washes for a living.

She—But papa says you're not very prudent. He—You tell your father that I have saved up 25 cents of old socks for my future wife to darn.—Boston Globe.

The highest deeds of angels cannot rub out envy from some hearts.—Florida Times-Union.

ACONVALESCENT'S SAD CONDITION

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AS GERMANY SEES IT CHURCH ROW. Three Sisters and a Brother Haled Into Court. Wilmington, Del., Oct. 9.—As a result of factional trouble in Mt. Enon Baptist Church Jennie Hicks, Mary Carter, Lillie Smith and Joseph Brown, all colored, were fined \$2 each in City Court by Judge Cochran this morning. Geo. Peterson, a trustee, testified that he interrupted the reading of the roll-call at the church meeting last night, and there was trouble over the church dues. Peterson said he told the defendants to keep quiet and one of them shouted, "Look a hyar, Mistah Peterson, you must think you are Judge Cochran to go a-dictatin' to us all like that." Witnesses for the defence testified that the whole congregation was "talking back"; and, remarking that it was not his fault that the whole congregation had not been arrested, Judge Cochran imposed the fines. DUCK GOSSIPS. Cold Splash Would Stop Busy Tongues, Says Magistrate. New York, Oct. 9.—"What we need," Magistrate Tighe said to-day in the ducking plank and a mill pond with which to punish the women gossips who are almost daily summoned before me on charge of circulating scandalous stories about their neighbors. Not that I advocate the restoration of the pillory and thumb-screw, but I do believe that a sudden ducking in cold water would seal the lips of women defaming the characters of their neighbors and put a stop to an evil that has caused more than one home to be disrupted." In Old Kentucky. "Are you thirsty, Colonel?" "Yes, Judge." "Very thirsty, Colonel?" "Yes, Judge." "Thirsty enough to drink water, Colonel?" "No, Judge." "All right, Colonel. I told the boy to make haste back with the jug."

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