

LETTING TENDERS.

Water Commissioners Award Contracts for the Year.

The Successful Contractors—Where Does the Coal Oil Go To?—An Honest Coal Dealer!—Work on the New Pump-house Let.

The first view of the room in which the water commissioners met last night suggested an apothecary shop, while the second look gave the viewer the not unpleasant impression of being behind the cashier's counter of a flourishing bank. Tenders were being received for the year's supply; six barrels of lubricating oil are needed annually, and the tenders in oil felt called upon to cover the aristocratic-looking marble mantelpiece in No. 1 committee room with samples, bottled and labeled, cricked and waxed, the whole having a decided materia-medica aspect.

About 50 tenders in all were received, and, as each (with one exception) was accompanied by check or greenbacks ranging in value from \$25 to \$500, the amount of wealth on the table during the evening was enough to impress even a water commissioner.

The work of wading through the numerous figures was slow and tedious, and, interesting only in streaks. There was difference enough in the prices to dissolve any suggestion of combine.

"Whew," whistled Chairman Jones, as he read the tender for coal oil. "They use 22 barrels at Springbank in a year, do they? Well, I'll find out where it goes to or else I'll resign."

Commissioner Cowan suggested that the committee take a junket to Springbank and sit up all night and measure the consumption, but Mr. Jones was in earnest.

"This is the most honest man that has tendered to-night," said the chairman, impressively, as he held aloft a coal tender, while visions of trade secrets divulged flashed before the expectant eyes around the table.

"He actually tenders for coal per ton of 2,000 pounds!"

Yet some say the good die young.

The most important contracts let were those of the construction of the new pump-house. John Pardon secured the carpenter work at \$2,320. Geo. F. Blake and Wm. Yates the masonry and brickwork at \$8,750, and H. & C. Colerick the painting and glazing at \$107. The tenders follow:

	Masonry and brickwork.	Carpentering and coal fueling.	Painting, etc.
Shopton & Howard.....	\$2,450	\$185	
F. Winder.....	2,320	175	
A. H. Cook.....	2,320	175	
John Pardon.....	2,320	175	
H. & C. Colerick.....	107		
Moran & Ridge.....	\$11,830		
Simpson & Murray.....	15,371		
E. S. Hart.....	10,295		
J. Hayman.....	10,275		
George Hurdick.....	140		
Geo. Blake and W. Yates.....	\$8,750		

The building tenders exceed the estimate about \$2,000.

Contracts in oil, coal and hardware were held over.

Harding & Leathorn will supply pipe—4-inch at 45¢ cents, 6-inch at 61¢ cents, 8-inch at 80¢ cents.

Lead pipe—Hobbs Hardware Company, 4¢ cents a pound.

Hydrants—Worthington & Ward, at \$26 50.

Special castings—Worthington & Ward, at \$2 57½ per 100 pounds.

Stop cock boxes—Stevens & Burns, ½ inch \$4 50, ¾ inch \$6; valves, 4 inch \$9, 6 inch \$15, 8 inch \$22.

Brasswork—Essex Brass and Iron Company, \$494 60.

Bookbinding—Chapman's.

Lumber—Belton for the city and Winnett for Springbank. Prices, city, \$14 50 for pine, \$14 for cedar; \$1 extra for Springbank supply on account on distance.

John Wilkie applied for a water main on Lorne avenue east of Quebec street. Referred to the engineer.

James Johnston, Victoria street, asked for a water service. Referred to the engineer.

Auditors Jewell and Cottrell submitted the quarterly statement of receipts and disbursements in connection with the waterworks, ending Feb. 28, 1894. The receipts mentioned a balance in the Bank of Toronto Dec. 1, 1893, of \$3,078 42; cash in hand, \$1,192; water rates (net), \$14,103 99; service extension, \$303 37; sundry receipts, \$41 31; total, \$18,139 01.

The disbursements amounted to \$4,332 92, being apportioned as follows: Workshop account, \$572 63; pump-house maintenance, \$210 69; grounds and dam maintenance, \$324 10; expense account, \$926 82; house service account, \$104 63; printing and advertising, \$259 85; printing and advertising, \$50 63; meters and hydrants, \$63 44; lead pipe, \$267 91; main extension, \$42 90; insurance, \$87 50; buildings and repairs, \$70 32; salaries (general), \$1,079; salaries (office), \$287 50. Balance in bank Feb. 28, 1894, \$13,797 27.

The members present were Chairman Jones, Commissioner Cowan, Engineer Moore, Secretary Ellwood, Inspectors Plastow and Platt.

GEORGE SACKETT'S CASE.

Holsteins Enjoy a Mild Sensation—One Box of Dodd's Kidney Pills Cures Their Painful Condition of Backache and Kidney Disease.

HOLSTEIN, March 26.—This quiet village is in an uproar of excitement just now over the case of George Sackett, a well-known resident. His experience has had many parallels in other places, but none here. One box of Dodd's Kidney Pills cured him of severe backache and kidney disease of long standing, after he had tried every other remedy within his reach, but without any good results. These pills are manufactured by Dr. L. A. Smith & Co., Toronto, and are sold by all dealers, or will be mailed on receipt of price; 50 cents per box, or six boxes for \$2 50.

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WESTERN ONTARIO.

ELGIN.

One of Ayler's oldest residents passed away Tuesday morning in the person of Mrs. Jane Collier, relict of the late W. J. Collier, aged 92. The deceased was born in the county of Thorold, near Niagara Falls, in 1802, and moved to the township of Elgin with her father (Peter Osterlander) and family when a girl 16 years of age. Mrs. L. S. Leonard, of Ayler, is her only child. When the deceased first went to St. Thomas there were but four houses there. When a school girl she witnessed the battle of Beaver Creek dam.

ESSEX.

Ald. Will has been re-elected in Windsor over ex-Ald. Martin by 64 majority. Willis Chipman, the sanitary engineer of Toronto, will meet the Windsor council and board of health as to the best system for the disposal of garbage, to better the drainage and submit other sanitary improvements.

The wife of E. H. Carpenter, principal of the West Central school, Windsor, died very suddenly Tuesday morning.

KENT.

The county council and Chatham differ over the compensation to be paid by the latter to the former for the use of the jail. At Osgoode Hall Tuesday the present terms were set aside and arbitration will be begun afresh.

MIDDLESEX.

At the Cleveland, Ohio, Medical College the examinations have just closed. Miss S. E. Pettit, of Belmont, took her degree as M. D., ranking not only head of her class, but taking the highest stand of anyone graduating from college.

OXFORD.

Charles Anderson, photographer, disappeared from Woodstock recently. About the same time Leonard Clouse and his daughter Tilly were ordered out of town as bad characters. It turns out that Anderson had been taking nude pictures of the girl and that they were in Brantford the other day selling them. They were ordered out of that place also.

PERTH.

Ernest Mann, of Toronto, pleaded guilty and sentence was deferred. His two wives—Miss Frost, of Toronto, and Miss Bryan, Fullarton, are as comely as Mann is homely.

The annual vestry meeting of St. James' Church, Mitchell, was held on Monday evening. It was the largest gathering of the kind that has been held for some years. Election of officers was proceeded with, the following gentlemen being appointed: Rector's warden, F. W. Wilson; people's warden, W. C. Montzambert; delegates to synod, Major Smith and F. W. Wilson; auditors, J. Hutton and Dr. Wilson; side-men, J. Johnson and F. Robinson; organist, F. Robinson; treasurer, C. S. Rumsey; organist, Miss N. Howard; sexton, J. Routledge. The financial statement for the past twelve months was then presented by F. O. Stanley and showed an excellent condition of affairs. The total receipts from all sources (including a legacy from Mrs. F. S. Hill, of \$500) were \$2,455 73, leaving a balance on hand of over \$100 after every indebtedness had been met. The principal of the debt had also been decreased by \$300.

The different societies of the church and the Sunday school were also shown to be in a flourishing condition.

WATERLOO.

William Henry Brown appeared before Judge Leacock, charged with breaking into the residence of Louis Boehmer, Berlin, on March 21, and stealing a sum of money. He pleaded guilty and sentence was deferred for a day or two.

The annual church conference of the new Methodist Episcopal Church at Berlin, about 25 ministers from Ontario and Michigan were present.

WELLINGTON.

Thomas Harris, of Salem, celebrated his 103rd birthday on Easter Sunday. He was born in the county of Kerry, Ireland, in 1791. For over 40 years he followed the life of a sailor, acting as pilot along the Irish coast. He came to this country in 1830. Notwithstanding his great age Mr. Harris had scarcely known a day's illness until about eighteen months ago, when he injured himself by falling from an apple tree. Even that accident has not prevented the performance of his ordinary duties. He always acts as constable at the municipal elections.

TEACHERS IN CONGRESS.

Second Day of the Ontario Educational Association's Convention.

TORONTO, March 28.—The second day of the Ontario Educational Association's Convention found the teachers in attendance at an early hour. The papers read and discussed this morning were:

Modern Language Association—"Reform in modern language methods in Germany," by W. H. Fraser; "Gatz Von Berchingen," by L. Horning.

Natural Science Association—"Biology as a high school subject," "The professional training of science teachers," "Wave motion in gases," by Prof. Loudon.

Classical Association—"Classical scholarship," by Prof. Dale.

Mathematical and Physical Association—"Lecture on 'Geometry,'" by Prof. Dupuis; a paper on "Mathematics in the Royal Military College," by Prof. Martin.

Public School Department—"Lecture on 'Vertical writing,'" by W. H. Liddicott.

Kindergarten Department—"A talk on 'Creative development of occupations with assistants,'" by Mrs. A. M. Hughes.

County Model School Section—"Should honors be given at conclusion of term," by F. C. Powell.

Inspectors' Department—"Discussion on 'How shall we secure uniformity in the extension of third-class certificates? Should certificates be Provincial?'"

Public and High School Trustees Department—"Discussion of the High Schools Act of 1891."

The general association met to-night when D. G. Stanley lectured on "Child Study."

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ROSES VS. RUM.

New Features in Politics Introduced by an Illinois Lady—And She Won.

TUSCULA, Ill., March 28.—Miss Mamie Bunch, a school teacher, has introduced a new feature in politics here. She wished the nomination for superintendent of schools on the Republican ticket, and won easily over a field of five men. When election time came around she took up her station at the polls, and having secured 200 roses, pinned a dainty bouquet on the lapel of every voter's coat as he came up. Hereof it has been the custom to deal out cigars and liquor, but the new plan adopted by Miss Bunch worked so charmingly that she walked out of the place with over 100 plurality.

OFFICIAL SALARIES.

Some Weak Points in the Assailants' Armor.

It is a somewhat strange coincidence that the attack upon the mode of appointing public officials and the salaries which they receive was led by a member of the House who has been himself, as the Empire would say, "a fee-fed" official of the Dominion Government for several years back.

Mr. A. F. Wood, M.P.P., who moved the want of confidence motion on this question the other night, has drawn money from the Dominion treasury for many years. The report of the Auditor-General shows that Mr. Wood received the following sums as valuator for the Dominion Government:

For the year ending June, 30, 1890, \$3,895 09; for the year ending June 30, 1891, \$3,236 59; for the year ending June 30, 1892, \$4,274 51, and for the year ending June 30, 1893, \$5,561 81. Mr. Wood seems to be constantly employed in the Dominion service. In 1890 he charged for 244 days, in 1891 for 189 days; in 1892 for 262 days, and in 1893 for 161 days. By referring to the journals of the session of 1892 it will be seen that during that year the Provincial House was in session from the 11th day of February to the 14th day of April, or a period in all of 55 working days.

Mr. Wood must, therefore, have been paid by the Dominion Government for part of the time during which he was drawing his sessional allowance as a member of the Legislative Assembly. The amounts which he has drawn are on the basis of \$10 per diem for actual services, \$5 50 for living allowance, and the actual cost of railway fare for transport.

Mr. E. F. Clarke, senior member for Toronto, also denounced the fee system in the most vigorous terms. At page 231, section D, of the Auditor-General's report for 1892-3 we find the following entries:

Services—68 days at \$10 per day..... \$680 00
Living allowance—79 days, at \$4 per day..... 316 00
Fares..... 169 34
Pensions..... 33 40
Cabs and cartage..... 15 03

Total.....\$1,213 77

On page 237, section D, of the Auditor-General's report will be found a copy of a letter addressed to the Finance Department, protesting against Mr. Clarke's charge of a per diem and living allowance for Sept. 4 and 25, on the ground that Mr. Clarke left Toronto late on the night of the 4th, and arrived back early on the morning of the 25th, and, therefore, should not have charged for those days. The Auditor-General, accordingly, ordered a reduction of \$28 in Mr. Clarke's account. Mr. Whitney, the member for Dundas, has also drawn upon the Dominion treasury for solicitor's fees of various amounts during the last few years.

The inconsistency of the Opposition in constantly shifting ground upon almost every question that has come before the House during the last ten years has been exposed more than once. In their own cases they decline to practice a rule of action which they insist upon as necessary in the public interest for the officers of the Province. If it is corrupt and dangerous, as the Opposition alleges, to have public officials paid by fees, what shall we say of the payment of members of the Ontario Legislature by fees from the treasury of the Dominion?—[Toronto Globe.]

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RAILWAY TIME TABLES

GRAND TRUNK—Southern Division
CORRECTED Feb. 11, 1894.

MAIN LINE—Going East.			
	ARRIVE	DEPART	
Wabash Express (A).....	4:15 a.m.	4:30 a.m.	
Accommodation.....	4:30 a.m.	4:45 a.m.	
Atlantic Express (A).....	12:10 p.m.	12:20 p.m.	
Day Express.....	10:50 a.m.	11:00 a.m.	
Wabash Express (A) (B).....	4:30 p.m.	4:45 p.m.	
Mixed (C).....	5:50 p.m.	6:00 p.m.	
Erie Limited (A).....	11:20 p.m.	11:40 p.m.	

MAIN LINE—Going West.			
	ARRIVE	DEPART	
Chicago Express (A).....	5:35 a.m.	5:50 a.m.	
West End Mixed.....	9:30 a.m.	9:45 a.m.	
Wabash Express (A).....	11:35 a.m.	11:45 a.m.	
Erie Limited (A).....	12:10 p.m.	12:20 p.m.	
Accommodation.....	12:35 p.m.	12:45 p.m.	
Pacific Express (A).....	6:50 p.m.	7:10 p.m.	
Mail.....	11:20 p.m.	11:40 p.m.	
Accommodation.....	7:30 p.m.		

Sarnia Branch.			
	ARRIVE	DEPART	
Lehigh Express (B).....	4:00 a.m.		
Accommodation.....	9:30 a.m.		
Atlantic Express (B).....	11:35 a.m.		
Accommodation.....	12:10 p.m.		
Mixed.....	8:30 p.m.		
Accommodation.....	8:15 p.m.		
Erie Limited (B).....	11:35 p.m.		

Sarnia Branch.			
	ARRIVE	DEPART	
Chicago Express (B).....	5:40 a.m.		
Accommodation.....	7:40 a.m.		
Lehigh Express (B).....	11:00 a.m.		
Erie Limited (B).....	12:20 p.m.		
Accommodation.....	12:55 p.m.		
Pacific Express (B).....	7:30 p.m.		

London, Huron and Bruce.

	ARRIVE	DEPART	
Express.....	9:55 a.m.	8:15 a.m.	
Mail.....	6:40 a.m.	4:30 p.m.	
St. Marys and Stratford Branch.			
	ARRIVE	DEPART	
Mixed—Mail.....	11:15 a.m.	7:50 a.m.	
Express.....	9:55 a.m.	8:15 a.m.	
Express—Mixed.....	9:15 p.m.	6:55 p.m.	

Toronto Branch.

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Hamilton—Arrive—							
a.m.	a.m.	a.m.	p.m.	p.m.	p.m.	p.m.	p.m.
11:230	B 19:00	10:30	B 2:30	3:55	6:25	8:	