

HAS SURPLUS ABOUT \$4,000.

Chief TenEyck Asks That Benefit Fund be Established.

Praise For Engineer McFarlane of Beach Pumps

And Vote of Thanks to Chairman Norman Clark

At the last regular meeting of this year of the Fire and Water Committee held last evening, a communication was read from James McFarlane, engineer at the Beach pumping house, complaining about the boiler compound he was using, which made it necessary for a machinist to tighten the tubes and inspect the boiler every few weeks. The compound had been recommended to him at the beginning of the year. The matter was referred to City Engineer MacCallum.

A petition from Fireman K. Cassel, asking to be advanced one year, was granted. Cassel had been a first-class fireman, but had resigned from the department several years ago. Last June he applied and was received back on the force, but as a third-class man, and according to the rules he would have had to remain so until June, 1911. On the recommendation of the Chief, who spoke highly of him, it was decided to advance him to second grade, to take effect on June 1, 1910. G. W. Smith was appointed to the force in the place of O. Roper, who had left. The committee authorized the Chief to purchase five barrels of bluestone, at a cost of four and a half cents a pound. Although this is an extra large supply and will last for a year, it was thought advisable to make the purchase, as the price was an extra low one. The regular monthly accounts were passed.

On the motion of Ald. Lees, a vote of thanks and appreciation was extended to Ald. Clark, who has been chairman of the committee for the past three years, for his efficient and courteous attention he gave to all business.

In seconding this motion, Ald. Milne referred to James McFarlane, who had been in the city's service for over fifty years, and thought that something more substantial than a vote of thanks should be tendered to him. Ald. Clark moved that a vote of thanks be tendered to A. T. James, secretary, who had been in the city's service for 22 years, and to Chief TenEyck, for the able manner in which both of them had performed their duties.

Chairman Clark will give an informal banquet next week, to which Mr. McFarlane will be invited and a testimonial tendered to him.

The annual financial statements of the different departments of the committee were as follows:

Financial statement for waterworks construction for 1909:	
Appropriations—	
To balance from 1908	\$30,421.36
To appropriation, 1909	\$6,000.00
Balance	\$36,421.36
Expenditures—	
Extension of water mains	\$23,112.70
New services	17,465.43
Conduit valves	2,488.80
Basin and draft	6,175.85
Beach property	5,492.78
Sewer, James street reservoir	389.15
Estimated expenditure to Dec. 31	1,000.00

Balance	\$36,421.36
Work passed—	
Six-inch main, Cumberland ave. estimate	\$755.00
Six-inch main, Prospect ave. estimate	620.00
To balance Montgomery elevator	620.00
To sewer account, mountain system	8,070.00
To amount set aside for stores and shops	6,000.00
Extension of main on Gainsville ave.	200.00
To complete mountain system	1,000.00
Loss on debentures, say	1,300.00
Balance	\$18,500.00

Leaving a balance when work is complete of	\$800.00
Waterworks receipts—	
First quarter	\$65,160.35
Second quarter	69,412.71
Third quarter	61,195.59
Fourth quarter (estimate)	84,250.00
Balance	\$271,128.65
Less street watering	\$18,713.49
Balance	\$252,505.16

Financial statement of waterworks expense for 1909:	
Appropriation	\$1,175.00
Expenditure	\$7,747.57
Beach pump house:	
Salaries	\$1,428.00
Waste	889.26
Coal	15,424.00
Repairs and supplies	1,671.00
High level pump house:	
Salaries	\$1,814.50
Waste	75.00
Coal	1,428.00
Repairs and supplies	146.47
Gas	59.02
Barion reservoir:	
Salaries	975.00
Repairs and supplies	100.00

Fuel	112.00	103.58
Jazzee street reservoir:		
Salaries	50.00	50.00
Cleaning and improving grounds	235.00	120.48
Filtering basin:		
Salaries	600.00	600.00
Supplies and repairs	50.00	50.00
Sand dredge supplies	450.00	449.87
Inspecting, stores and repairs department:		
Salaries	\$12,740.00	\$11,118.11
Supplies, repairs, etc	1,425.00	1,369.62
High level reservoir:		
Cleaning and improving	300.00	130.00
Office:		
Salaries, advertising and	\$4,519.50	\$4,403.83
Insurance	1,172.29	1,160.57
Mountain power house:		
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Telephone for all water-works department	405.00	417.90
Estimated expenditure to Dec. 31, 1909	\$52,958.00	\$48,936.68
Leaving a balance of \$1,023.32		\$51,855.68

Financial statement of the Fire Department for 1909:	
Appropriation	\$2,662.15
Expenditure	\$2,662.15
Uniforms	2,401.37
Feed	3,471.00
Fuel	868.00
Shoeing	569.00
Light	375.00
Gas	435.00
Rent of lots	16.00
Insurance	160.00
Professional services	200.00
Printing, advertising and stationery	250.00
Supplies, horses, etc	2,117.00
Repairs to apparatus, stations, etc	2,247.89
New alarm box	51.66
Lot, Sanford avenue	425.00
Furnishing new station	1,900.00
Rebuilding and furnishing new station	1,502.63
Balance	\$71,242.00
The net balance on hand to the committee's credit is \$4,000.	

Chief TenEyck asked that the balance from the fire department be used as the nucleus of a benefit fund. The members suggested that he should bring in some comprehensive scheme, and allowed the matter to stand in the meantime.

HALF MILLION.

Hamilton Man a Plaintiff in a Large Suit.

An action to upset a \$500,000 issue of stock made by the Imperial Steel & Wire Company, Limited, of Collingwood, was commenced before Mr. Justice Clute at Toronto yesterday in the non-jury sittings. Anna M. B. Lindsay, W. J. Lindsay, of Toronto, and William H. Schneider, of Hamilton, are the plaintiffs. The plaintiff company is at Collingwood. The plaintiffs claim that after the company had undertaken to establish a new business at Fort William the company passed a by-law increasing the capital stock from \$700,000 to \$1,500,000, \$500,000 common shares and \$300,000 of preferred shares. As the agreement with the town was never acted on or the work of building the plant completed before June of this year, the plaintiffs claim that the issue of \$500,000 common shares was ultra vires. The defendant company claims that there was no cause of action disclosed, and that they are prepared to carry out their agreement.

FOR DUTIES.

Ontario Government Brings Action Against Gurney Estate.

Nesbitt, Gauld & Gausby issued a writ to-day on behalf of the Attorney-General's Department against Henry G. Carscallen, George C. Carscallen and C. J. Myles for payment of succession duties on the estate of the late Eliza Gurney. The estate, two years ago, was valued at \$100,000, and the succession duties claimed amount to about \$5,000. The defendants are the executors of the estate.

JEALOUS MAD.

Miner Kills His Wife, Her Mother and Himself.

London, Ky., Dec. 23.—At Pittsburg, Ky., a mining village, yesterday, William Murray, a miner, shot dead his wife, her mother, Elbert Cole and himself. Cole was 22 years old. He was a manager of a general store. Murray entered the store and without a word shot Cole dead. Then he went to his mother-in-law and shot his mother-in-law as she was leaving the house. He shot his wife within the house and dragged her out into the yard and laid her dying beside her mother's body and fired another bullet through her heart. He then shot himself dead.

M. J. Rose, an old man, who was in the store when Murray killed Cole, broke through a window in his haste to escape danger and was seriously injured.

It is of interest to note the profits realized by those engaged in the importation of alien women for the purpose of prostitution. For this purpose the information in the possession of the Government as the result of prosecution against the French procurer Dufair, which is definite and accurate, may be taken as typical. The books of account kept by Dufair show that his income from his establishment in Chicago, realized largely as a result of his success as an importer, was for the twelve months immediately preceding his arrest upward of \$102,000.

These books also show that during the month of May previous to his arrest the earnings of one girl, a recent importation, were \$723. In almost every instance which has come to the attention of the authorities the girls who were imported from France by the French syndicate were compelled to turn over every day to the proprietor of the establishment in which they were detained all their earnings. They were usually allowed only enough to purchase the clothing necessary to make them attractive to frequenters of the place.

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WHITE SLAVE TRAFFIC SCOPE.

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One Member's Profits Was \$102,000 For a Year.

The Mann Bill Not to Supersede Police Powers.

Washington, Dec. 23.—Representative Mann, of Illinois, chairman of the House Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce, to-day formally submitted the report of his committee on his bill to prohibit the white slave traffic. The report makes it plain that the committee has no intention of interfering with the police powers of the States.

"It is not the purpose of the bill," says the report, "to interfere with or usurp in any way the police powers of the States. The bill reported does not endeavor to regulate, prohibit or punish prostitution or the keeping of a place where prostitution is indulged in."

"Most of the provisions of the bill," the report continues, "are based upon the power of Congress over interstate and foreign commerce. In the second section it is made a crime for any one knowingly to transport in interstate or foreign commerce any woman or girl for the purpose of prostitution and in the same section it is made a crime for any one knowingly to procure a ticket to be used by a woman in going to a place for the purpose of prostitution whereby such woman shall be actually transported in interstate or foreign commerce or in any Territory or in the District of Columbia."

After discussing the other sections of the measure the report says: "The legislation is needed to put a stop to the villainous interstate and international traffic in women and girls. The legislation is not needed or intended as an aid to the States in the exercise of their police powers in the suppression or regulation of immorality in general."

If does not attempt to regulate the practice of voluntary prostitution, but aims solely to prevent panders and procurers from compelling thousands of women and girls against their will and desire to enter and continue in the life of prostitution."

The report continues: "Government investigations which have been conducted disclose the fact that the importation of women and girls from foreign countries has been systematic and continuous, and has not been limited to isolated and accidental cases. The facts, in connection with investigations conducted by the District Attorney at Chicago, may be taken as typical of the situation in many other cities."

"At the time of the arrest of several notorious French importers in Chicago a large amount of correspondence and other documentary evidence fell into the hands of the authorities. This evidence showed beyond a reasonable doubt that there was in existence an organized system, or syndicate, having for its purpose the importation of women from foreign countries to Chicago and other cities in the United States for immoral purposes. This syndicate had headquarters and distributing centres in New York, Chicago, Omaha, Denver, San Francisco, Los Angeles, Seattle, and Nome, Alaska."

"It is conservatively estimated, from an examination of the data and information at hand, that the syndicate has imported annually during the preceding eight or ten years on an average of about 2,000 women—largely French. It also appears that the syndicate regularly sent agents to Europe to procure girls at stated prices to be brought to the United States, where they were placed at the disposal of the keepers of houses of prostitution. The usual method employed in evading the immigration officers at the ports of entry was to pass the women as the wives or sisters of the procurers with whom they arrived."

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Amusements

Seats are now on sale for the engagement of Bertha Galland at the Grand on Christmas. The box office of the theatre will remain open to-morrow night until 9 o'clock, for the accommodation of the theatregoers. Miss Galland is to be seen in her new play, "The Return of Eve."

The first act takes place in Virginia, where an old millionaire tries to experiment with a modern Eden, bringing a boy and a girl whom he takes from an orphanage. They are known as Adam and Eve, and here, far removed from civilization, and under the protection of an old tutor, they spend the springtime of their lives without the semblance of evil. After what might be styled "a preliminary life," in this Garden of Eden, Adam and Eve are brought to New York, where the second and third acts occur. Here the innocent young people are surrounded by temptations and allurements of a nature altogether new to them. Even the allegorical feature of the serpent is carried out in the person of Seymour Percival, who turns out to be the tempter of Eve. However, her early training and all that she has learned from her tutor, and her love for Adam, are sufficient to enable her to withstand the temptations. The final act of the play brings Adam and Eve back to Virginia. Both have learned their lessons well, and realize for the first time that they love each other more than anything else in the world and that they have been able to repugn the greatest temptations of life because of this love.

MARGUERITE CLARK. Marguerite Clark, in the first production in this city of a new English musical comedy, which is called "King of Cadonia," will be the attraction at the Grand on Monday evening, seats for which are now selling. This musical play had a great vogue in London, where for over two years at the Prince of Wales' Theatre it was immensely popular. It is the work of three well-known English writers: Frederic Lonsdale, the author of the lyrics, and Sydney Jones, who composed the score.

Revelations of the many charming melodies contained in "San Toy," "The Geisha," "The Gaiety Girl," "An Artist's Model," and "A Greek Slave," bear with them the promise that the "King of Cadonia" will possess an unusually brilliant score.

The action of this play takes place in a mythical country called Cadonia, which permits and gives every chance to the librettist for plot license. In this kingdom, where the people have shown a fondness for frequent changes of rulers, Alexis, their sovereign, tiring of the limitations placed on his freedom, disguises himself and mingles with the populace, just in time to escape a conspiracy to assassinate him. Following all true romantic precedent, while in the disguise of a peasant, he meets the Princess Marie, daughter of the Duke of Alaska, her presumptive to the Cadonia throne, and she forthwith falls in love with the handsome stranger. When she learns that the king has mysteriously disappeared she is more than pleased, but her feelings of relief are not shared by her father the Duke, who above all things dreads being called upon to rule over a restless and unruly population as that of Cadonia. The disguised king himself associates with the conspirators, the chief of whom is posing as head gardener to the Duke. Thus he learns their plans and succeeds in winning their favor, so much that when the inevitable denouement arrives, he is placed upon the throne, as his people have become satisfied that he is the one man who can be trusted to rule Cadonia discreetly and bravely.

The supporting company is made up of many well-known players, in William Norris, Clara Palmer, William Danforth, Stewart Melville, Robert Dempster, Zella Sears, and a big chorus of attractive show and dancing girls.

CHRISTMAS AT BENNETT'S. The rush at the Bennett box office for seats for the Christmas day performances assures the house being sold out in advance, and the management as a matter of convenience to its patrons has decided not to hold reserved seats, but called for by 1 o'clock for the matinee and 7 o'clock for the evening performance on the holiday.

The bill for New Year's week will feature Adelaide, America's premier dancer, presenting Johnny Hughes and girls in a beautiful scenic creation entitled, "The Poster's Dream." This is one of the biggest novelties of the season, and has been very favorably commented upon by the press in every city it has played. Ray and Broche will be seen in a laughable comedy sketch entitled, "A Woman of Few Words." The bill will also include Redford and Winchester, a well-known team of comedy jugglers; Lillian Tyce, who has a breezy repertoire of Irish songs; Simmons and White, in a screamingly funny farce, Clark and Bergman, clever dancers, and Ferry, the frog man, one of vaudeville's cleverest contortionists.

"When I hear a man boasting about his honesty," says the Manayunk Philosopher, "I always keep both hands in my pockets."

ROYAL MEWS IN LONDON.

State Equipages Kept at Buckingham Palace.

The Cream Colored Ponies Representing White Horse of Hanover.

London, Dec. 20.—Since King Edward came to the throne one of his greatest pleasures has been to renovate the various royal palaces neglected during Queen Victoria's reign. Nor has he devoted his attention exclusively to the palaces themselves; the outbuildings and stables have also received their share of improvements. Nowhere have greater changes taken place than in the royal stables adjoining Buckingham Palace.

This autumn the mews have been enlarged and improved, so that now accommodation is provided for a stud of over 200 horses. Of course it is only on very rare occasions, such as a coronation, that so many horses would have to be kept there. Just now owing to the increasing use of motor cars by the royal family there are only fifty horses. The establishment includes repairing shops, forges, farriage and other stores, a brand new motor garage and an elaborate office of the master of the horse's department. The carriage houses contain some fifty carriages, as it is necessary on state and semi-state occasions to employ horse drawn vehicles of various types, and all these are kept at Buckingham Palace.

On the occasion of a court, a levee, a state ball or the formal opening of Parliament the coaches, landaus and broughams are sent from the palace to bring high court officials who are to attend upon the King and Queen, and the royal scarlet and gold liveries are a familiar sight in London. An American, the Countess Granard, made her first public appearance in England last winter in one of the King's carriages, when she and Lord Granard, who is the present master of the horse, drove to the opening of Parliament.

Ambassadors and Ministers desiring to present themselves to the King and submit their credentials on first arriving in the country also go to the palace not in their own carriages, but in those sent by the King.

The chief item of interest in the royal stables is the old state coach, heavily gilt and ornamented, in which the King and Queen travel from the palace to the Houses of Parliament. This carriage is very old and is an excellent specimen of its class. The panels were painted by an Italian artist, Cipriani, and the cost of the coach was \$40,000 originally. It has a special department to itself when not in use.

The sleek well groomed ponies which London expects to see in all state processions used to be kept at Windsor, where they could roam about at will in the shady paddocks of the home farm. Now the King has had his stables so arranged that there is plenty of room for them in London, so they have been moved permanently to the city.

They are beautiful little creatures of a delicate cream color with long flowing manes and tails. They are of the pure Flemish breed that is rapidly becoming extinct, and were originally brought into England by George I. as emblematic of the sign of his house, the White Horse of Hanover. Ever since that time they have been employed to draw the state carriages of the British sovereign.

Unfortunately they have been inbred at Windsor to so great an extent since they were first imported that they have greatly deteriorated in both size and strength. Some years ago it was decided to try to improve them by the importation of new stock and annually representatives of the royal stables have been sent to Holland and Belgium to seek young horses and mares of the necessary purity of blood to add to the stud farm at Windsor.

Next in importance to the cream ponies in the royal mews come the bright bay horses that are employed on semi-state occasions and to draw the carriages of the royal family when private visits are made to friends or relatives. Most of the other horses have also been bred by the King at Windsor and Hampton Court. All his home bred horses are renowned throughout Europe, and upon the rare occasions when any of them are offered in open market the competition to secure them is very keen.

The officers of the department of the mews of the royal stables are carefully chosen men. One of their most important tasks is rehearsing and training the horses for any state procession for several days before it takes place. The rehearsals are carried out in exactly the same manner as the procession itself. The whole of the route is gone over and the various turns and places of waiting for the horses and carriages are examined and tested so that all possibility of a hitch is reduced to a minimum.

It is highly important that the horses should be trained to ignore the cheering of the crowds in the streets, so very early in the morning a battalion of Foot Guards from Wellington barracks, is marched down to the exercising ground of the royal horses and the animals are led slowly by while the men cheer at the top of their voices at irregular intervals. Any horse that shows fear or a tendency to shy is at once put back for further training.

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Thursday, December 23rd, 1909

Lace Waists \$3.49
Eccu Lace Waists, silk lined, in the latest style, a splendid range of sizes, regularly worth \$5.00, special on Friday at 8.30 sharp \$3.49

Women's Real Kid Gloves \$1.00
Women's Real Kid Gloves, two dome fasteners, dainty silk stitchings, in tan, brown, mode, grey, navy, black, white, red and green, white or self stitchings, in all sizes, at 8.30 per pair

Wool Toggles 25c and 50c
Fine Wool Toggles, in plain colors or with stripe around the band, large full tassel for boys or girls, at 8.30 sharp

Children's Wool Sashes 50c
Children's Fine Wool Sashes, extra long, large, full tassels on each end, in white, sky, scarlet, cardinal, navy and black, at 8.30 sharp, each

Fancy Handkerchiefs 5c Each
15 dozen Fancy Handkerchiefs, used for decorative purposes, slightly soiled; regular 35c each, special at 8.30 sharp on Friday, each

Women's Umbrellas \$3.48
2 dozen only Women's Umbrellas, chased handles, gold, inlaid, with smoked pearl, silk and wool covering, with selvedge, silk tassel and cover; regular \$4.50 and \$5.00, at 8.30 sharp

Perfumes 69c
Perfumes, best line, in satin-lined case, finished with silk cord, special at 8.30 sharp, per case

Women's Walking Gloves 75c
Women's Walking Gloves, one dome fastener, blown fingers, perfect fitting, in navy, brown, tan, red, black, white, grey and green, all sizes, at 8.30 sharp, pair

Net Veiling 15c Yard
Fine Net Veiling, in all the newest meshes, with or without spots, in navy, grey, green, brown, purple, taupe, black or white, special at 8.30 sharp, per yard

Honeycomb Shawls 79c
10 only Honeycomb Shawls, in plain white, cardinal or black, made with fancy border and fringe regularly \$1.00 special at 8.30 sharp

Slumber Sox 15c
50 pairs Slumber Sox, for men or women; made of soft elderdown, in sky, white, red, grey, pink; regular 25c, special at 8.30 sharp

Skates 50c to \$3.00
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Men's Suspenders 38c
20 pairs only Men's Fancy Suspenders, in gift boxes, solid brass trimmings, special Friday at 8.30 sharp for

Table Cloths \$1.19
50 only 68x84 Bleached Table Cloths, pure linen, hemmed ready for use; border all around, in floral and dot designs; regular \$1.50, at 8.30 sharp

Waist Lengths 50c
500 boxes of dainty Waist Lengths of Cashmere, for winter waists, in spot and floral designs; 3 yards in a gift box; at 8.30 sharp for 50c

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Just let two young people become interested in each other, and it is the signal at once for all kinds of teasing, jokes, comments on the part of their friends and family.

The interest may have nothing sentimental about it. It probably has not at the start. It may be, and probably is, pure friendliness. No matter, shoulders are shrugged, meaning glances of the eye given, so-called joking questions asked if he but mention her name or she his.

It is a most pernicious habit. It makes the young people self-conscious at once. It puts ideas into their heads that need never have been there. It has broken up many a pleasant friendship or led young people into love affairs who were totally unfitted for each other.

To a sensitive girl such allusions are positively painful. If friends joke her about a certain young man or the family make insinuating remarks, her manner toward him becomes suddenly chilly and reserved. She doesn't want people to get any such foolish ideas. On his part, not knowing perhaps that anything has been said and therefore not understanding her conduct, his feelings or his pride are hurt and a pleasant and helpful friendship is broken off. A girl should pay no attention to such suggestions; but it is almost impossible for a sensitive girl not to.

If the man's friends take the initiative it may come to him as a shock that perhaps he is paying her attentions that will put wrong ideas into her head. And he withdraws. Often the intimacy of two people who might really care for each other in time, if they had been left alone, is broken up.

On the other hand the silly remarks of thoughtless friends may make two young people believe there is more in their friendship than they had thought. Algernon joked about Algernon may twirl his moustache and decide "she is a pretty nice girl." Algernon, when friends tell her Algernon is dead in love with her, anybody can see that, may find her heart beating