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WORKS COMMITTEE ACCOMPLISHED EXCELLENT THINGS DURING YEAR

Chairman Sheppard Presents His Report and is Heartily Complimented All Round.

The Committee on Works yesterday held their final meeting for the year, and adopted the fortnightly report of the City Engineer. Chairman Sheppard also submitted, in concise form, a resume of the work done during the year. The following new works were recommended:

- Asphalt pavements—Eveland-avenue, Bloor-street to Follis-avenue, \$12,220; Bloor-street, Wellesley-street to Howard-street, \$8870. Brick pavements—Shirley-street, St. Clarens-avenue to Lansdowne-avenue, \$2012; Church-street lane, first west of Church-street, running north from Lombard, \$840; Armoury-street, Chestnut-street to University-street, \$3010. Sewer—Symington-avenue, 12-inch tile pipe, from Bloor-street to a point 500 feet south, \$1010.

There were also a large number of concrete sidewalks recommended for construction. The committee reconsidered their action in refusing to supply city water to Mr. Alexander of Bincarth-avenue, who lives just outside the city limits. Mr. Alexander said the property would soon be inside the city. The mains had been built by private enterprise, and he was paying double the gross rates, there being no discount allowed. On motion of S. W. Burns, the matter will be allowed to connect his water service.

John Joss appeared on behalf of 12 property owners on Spadina-place, a blind lane between Cecil and College-streets, 20 feet wide. The City Engineer had recommended the construction of a pavement, but Mr. Joss wished it built only as far north as the rear of the houses, as beyond that point the lane was but 12 feet wide, and there was no need of a pavement. The matter was referred back to the City Engineer, who will consult with the ratepayers.

The City Engineer and the Medical Health Officer made a report on the matter of sewage disposal, but there was very little prospect of a settlement of the question. Their letter stated that the only scheme on which they could in any degree concur was that known as No. 3 in Mr. Bust's report on various proposed plans. This provides for separate tanks and basins at the south end of Queen-street, between Knox-avenue and the Woodbine, at a total cost of \$250,000, and an annual expenditure of \$37,000. The matter was left over for next year's committee.

Commissioner Fleming reported that the land damage connected with the proposed Wilton-avenue bridge on the Don would amount to \$30,000, making a total estimated cost of \$100,000 for the structure. It was decided to recommend the passing of a bylaw providing for the opening of a lane between 61 and 62 McCaul-street, on the condition that the city assume payment of \$85 damages claimed by owners of adjacent property.

The Assessment Commissioner reported in favor of extending Harbord-street from Clinton-street to Ossington-avenue. The cost for land damages was estimated at \$20,000, and the city should pay one-third. For opening Disher-street from Manning-avenue to Clinton-street, the estimated cost would be about \$5000, of which the property benefited should bear \$2500. Ald. McNeil said there was a direct line with Dewson-street, and the property to be crossed, mostly belongs to the city. He favors the extension of that street, but the matter went over to the next meeting.

Ald. Bell made inquiry about the Canada Foundry Company's water supply, the agent of the Moulders' Union being present to look after it. He was informed that the solicitor had written instructing the company to cut off the boarding house connection, but there was no news of any reply having been received. The matter of a pavement on St. Patrick-street was considered, but no action was taken, as the several members expressed the opinion that would

impairment of hearing rob one of many of the joys of life, exposes to disease, interferes with capacity for usefulness, inability to transact business and care a by-product. Many simply abandon their plans, ambitions and hopes on account of loss of hearing. In every case of partial or complete deafness there is another feature that is more troublesome than the difficulty of hearing—the distressing noises. These noises reach an impressive intensity as to almost drive them insane. The existing buzzing, ringing, roaring, hissing or other distressing noises by day and prevent rest at night. Nine cases out of ten of deaf noises and ringing in the ears are due to catarrh of the middle ear or of the tube leading from it to the throat. It should be understood and constantly borne in mind that to restore the hearing and silence the distressing noises a treatment is required that will allow inflammation, the obstruction of the tube by congestion and swelling and stop the passage of mucus so that the free passage of air into the middle ear. No really applied medicine will effect this, and the only satisfactory constitutional alternative and solvent will cure catarrh in the deep recesses of the hearing.

The aspirators of the writer were used and killed by the ears in one year. Both had catarrh of the ear, which had extended to the middle ear, leading from the throat to the middle ear, and were quite hard of hearing. In both cases the corner's jury decided that there was no death because of inability to hear.

for other cities and he trusted the chairman next year might have a strong support in bringing about improvements. Five and Light Committee. Ald. Bell was made the recipient of the annual honors paid to retiring chairmen at the final meeting of the Five and Light Committee. The vote of thanks was moved by Dr. Lynd and seconded by Ald. Spence, who hoped it would be the last time he would have the opportunity of congratulating a chairman of a fire and light committee. Ald. S. W. Burns addressed a few pleasant words and spoke of the feeling of the members to the chairman. The Mayor came in and spoke of his appreciation of the kindly sentiments. Election rights were recommended for Lake-street, opposite the centre of York-street bridge, and for the Don bridge, between Queen-street and Eastern-avenue, and a gas lamp opposite the Jesse Ketchum school on Devon-street. The Toronto Electric Light Co. was granted permission to erect three poles on Pearson-avenue, west of the street, and three on the west side of Markham-street, on entering into the usual agreement, but the application for the erection of four on the north side of Herlick-street and four on Bunsen-avenue, west of Huron-street, was refused. The property owners affected presented a petition in favor of the poles. The Property Commissioner advised that the application of the Moss Chemical Manufacturing Co. for the permission to install a boiler in their factory at the foot of Carlaw-avenue was granted. The boiler will be used for the manufacture of ammoniac. Ald. Ramsden appeared with a complaint from the residents of the west end of the city, which did not allow of the proper illumination of the streets. The request for illumination of the streets was requested, but he has no money to do so. He is a resident of the quality of gas supplied to private consumers.

OF INTEREST TO LABOR.

A new industry has been established at Portadown, Ireland, under the auspices of the Department of Agriculture. At Cork Exhibition, and this has been installed at Portadown, in order to test the industry on a commercial basis. The fruit and vegetable crop this year has been small, with high prices prevailing, a large quantity of high-class goods has been produced and successfully placed on the market. These include strawberries, raspberries, currants, apples, honey, pears, plums, blackberries, Damson pears, French beans, carrots, turnips, cress, leeks, beans, turnips, water, beet roots, artichokes and purses of peas, carrots, onions, turnips and vegetable soups.

The number of natives now employed in the Transvaal, Orange River, and Cape colonies is 107,000, while the immediate need is estimated at 250,000. The Toronto Electric Light Co. territories open to recruiting shows only 235,611 able-bodied males available. This is considered by experts to be an over-estimate. The Chamber of Mines takes the view that the importation of Chinese or coolie labor alone can relieve the situation. There are 3120 emigrants for want of work, and the cost of a man in carrying capacity of \$20,000,000. The wages offered to white labor, a little over 10s. a week, are not attractive, especially while the cost of living is so high.

The Chinese government has a blast furnace at work at Hunanang. The steel works are turning out about 2500 tons of bessemer and 600 tons of open-hearth ingots per month. A comparison of the profits made in growing wheat and sugar beets is much in favor of the former. The average yield for beets is figured at \$32.15, which, with a return of 10 tons at \$5 per ton, gives a return of 22.15 per cent. Wheat costs \$1.20 per acre, and the average yield is 20 bushels. This at 70c gives a profit of 4.3-4 per cent.

George C. Boldt receives \$500,000 per year for managing the Waldorf-Astoria of New York. Yet he failed as a chicken farmer in Texas.

The railroads of the United States killed 3554 persons and injured 45,977 during the year ending June 30. This is an increase in the killed of 735 and of the injured 6170 over the previous year. The Coffin Trust has declared war against labor unions, and a Texas union has passed a resolution that no member of the union shall die while the fight is on, and that if any one dies he must keep out of a trust coffin.

Judge Holden of Chicago has imposed a fine of \$1000 on Franklin Union No. 4, for contempt of court, for violating an injunction restraining it from an organization from interfering with the business of employers of 10 printing firms.

The tin-plate industry in South Wales, which had suffered at first through the war, has now recovered its position. The production for 1902 was the largest any tin-plate industry of any year in its history, the home consumption amounting to 4,500,000 boxes. Scores of other industries are at the present time, and never were so large additions made to the membership with so little effort.

W. H. Dawson, an authority on German affairs, states that while Germany has low rates on the state-owned railways, the system as a whole is magnificent; while royalties on minerals are comparatively small, and, in fact, the system is a splendid system of both general and technical education, yet Germany remains a poor country. Each family pays a tax on bread of \$8.75 a year. The average family of 4.5 persons consumes 200 bushels of wheat a year, and the one-third what it is in English working families. The German working man engaged from 15 to 20 hours a week, longer hours than in Britain, and Sunday work is not uncommon. At the Krupp works the weekly wage is \$6.04, while Glasgow workers get \$8.72. Newcastle gets \$9.82, and Leeds \$10.04, while 40,000 workers in a small purchasing power in Germany.

The authorities of the London School Board have decided that John Stanley Trueman, aged five years and one month, weighing 144 pounds, cannot be prevented by his mother from attending a primary school, on account of his bulk, and because his physical prowess might inconvenience other children. He is four feet in height, is mentally precocious in some ways, and his weight is not notably fat, but to muscular development. He can lift 50 pounds with one hand. His parents are working people.

George Bernard Shaw remarks that to John Bunyan courage is the thing that he had in common with the hero and coward Henry V. and Plato or Ptolemy before him. He is a man of power at Edri, a small mining settlement near here. Fire followed the explosion. Paris—Many Americans, who visited Paris during the past year, purchased water colors bearing the names of the Boers in the neighborhood of Kopjes Biding Orange River Colony, ruined by the recent war. New York—Members of the so-called steel bullet pool met here to-day and decided to maintain the present \$23 per ton rate for billets. A further continuance of the present rate is contingent upon trade conditions which at this time are not satisfactory.

New York—Patrick Shea, after pleading guilty to manslaughter in the first degree, was sentenced to the maximum penalty, twenty years in State Prison. Shea shot and killed "Billy" McMahon in a fight on the east side on May 15 last. On the afternoon of Saturday, the 10th inst., Mrs. Tilly Kloesed, at St. Louis, Mo., for inability to pay her rent, was evicted during the blizzard, and the delivery by Christmas for several hours until an officer took pity upon her, and conducted her to the shelter of the police station.

The man who wrote "Home Sweet Home," never owned a home. All his pretty sentiments about home he expressed in the form of a living in garrets, jans and boarding-houses in England, France and America. He was a wanderer, a divine, a reveler and roamer, but wherever he went he carried with him his longings for a home, but wherever he landed the domestic relation he was a miserable failure—Toledo Blade. In the reign of Charles II. the growing of tobacco in England and Ireland was prohibited in order to encourage the industry in what was then the royal colony of Virginia. About eighty years ago tobacco growing was again permitted in Ireland and for nearly twenty years an average profit of \$200 per acre was made from it. The English government stepped in and forbade the further growth of tobacco about the beginning of the last reign, giving fiscal reasons, and the difficulty of collecting revenue on tobacco. King Edward is credited with taking an active part in securing the revival of the tobacco-growing industry in Ireland, and all restrictions are now about to be removed.

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May Wheat Advances 3-4c at Chicago -Current Weekly Shipments and Market Gossip.

Table with columns for various wheat and grain types, prices, and market status. Includes 'World Office' and 'Chicago Gossip' sections.

Foreign Markets. London: Wheat on passage, less of 40c.

Leading Wheat Markets. Following are the closing quotations at important wheat centers today.

Table showing closing quotations for wheat at various international locations like New York, Chicago, and London.

GRAIN AND PRODUCE. Flour—Mantona, first patents, \$4.20 to \$4.35.

Wheat—No. 1 and No. 2, 1903. No. 1, 82c to 83c; No. 2, 81c to 82c.

Toronto Sugar Market. No. 1, 1903. No. 1, 1903. No. 1, 1903.

ST. LAWRENCE MARKET. Receipts of farm produce were 2300 bushels of grain.

Grain. Wheat, red, bush, 80c to 81c; white, bush, 81c to 82c.

Butter. Creamery, 100 lb. cwt., 19c to 20c; farm, 100 lb. cwt., 18c to 19c.

Eggs. Spring chickens, per pair, 65c to 70c; broilers, per pair, 55c to 60c.

FARM PRODUCE WHOLESALE. Hay, baled, car lots, 10c to 11c; straw, baled, car lots, 5c to 6c.

Hides and Wool. Hides, No. 1, 1903, 10c to 11c; No. 2, 1903, 9c to 10c.

Chicago Markets. May wheat, 1903, 11c to 12c; current, 10c to 11c.

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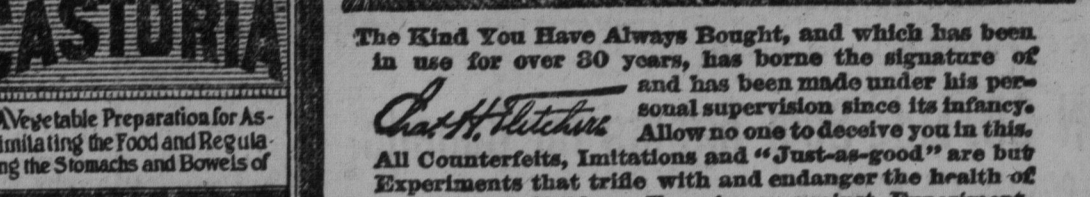
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Ontario Ladies' College. The Ontario Ladies' College at Whitby, Ont., has just closed its 15th annual term. The number of students in attendance has been 120 in residence and 40 non-resident. The annual convocations will be held at the college on Friday, Feb. 19, at 8 o'clock, in the evening. The program of the convocations will be arranged for, as usual.

Appella's Appeal Decision. The Ontario Contractors' Association against the Town of Orillia for money expended and work done by him in developing the town's water plant at Orillia, Ont., has been granted by the Court of Appeal. H. H. Strathairn, sitting for Justice Burton, dismissed his appeal, but stated that he might be allowed to amend his pleadings. Mr. Strathairn's appeal was allowed on the condition that he should amend his pleadings. Mr. Strathairn's appeal was allowed on the condition that he should amend his pleadings.

Pitiable Case of Destitution. Frank Walsh, Assistant City Relief Officer, found a pitiable case of destitution in the rear of 25 Dufferin St. yesterday. The occupant of the premises, Mrs. Rickford, was suffering from gauntness and emaciation, and was unable to get up from her bed. She had been in the hospital for several weeks, and had been discharged without any means of support. She was removed to the hospital.

Presented With Purse. Rev. Samuel Curran, pastor of Dovercourt Presbyterian Church, leaves next Wednesday for the Old Country on a leave of absence to spend his vacation. He was on Wednesday evening last presented with a purse containing \$75. The purse was found by a young man who had been carrying it. The young man had found the purse on the street and had taken it to the police. The police had found the purse and had turned it over to the church.

There were 505,545 pensioners on the U. S. rolls on June 30 last, and the pension bureau estimates that there are 200,000 survivors of the civil war who have not applied for pensions. The death rate among these is reckoned at 4 per cent. this year, and 14,000 are expected to apply for pensions. In 1902 the claims from this source totalled \$1,000,000,000.

The last of the mills in Southern New England, Massachusetts and some scattered towns to adopt the lower wage scale brought the new rates into force on the 14th inst. In all about 88,000 hands have now had their rates reduced.

