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WERE THE TENDERS COOKED?

Some Rather Startling Charges Made, but they fall very flat.

THE CITY SOLONS ARE IN A DISPUTATIOUS MOOD AND LET THEIR TONGUES WAG FREELY—THE STREET STONE AGAIN—REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES—THE CARTERS AND LIVERYMEN ARE NOT SATISFIED.

A regular meeting of the town council was held at the chamber on Monday evening. There were present, Mayor Ray, in the chair, Reeves Kyle, Walters and Crandell and Couns. Keith, Touchburn, Mallon, Killaby, Bryans, Tully, Lovell, Head and Johnston. The minutes of the last two meetings were read and confirmed.

COMMUNICATIONS ETC.
From H. McNeil asking for a sidewalk on Colborne-st.—Street and Bridge Com. \$2,939.
From Jno. T. Maunder asking for a billiard license—Finance Com.
From Fremont Council offering two foot wood for \$3 per cord—Town Property Com.
From Parkin Lumber-Co., enclosing cheque for \$4.12 for stone purchased from the town—Finance Com.

ACCOUNTS.
The Watchman, Printing etc. \$101.50; Geo. Smith, surveying \$4.—Finance Com.

Mayor Ray asked Reeve Crandell when he intended to call the Park Committee together? Reeve Crandell replied that he would do so not later than next week.

THOSE STONES AGAIN.
Reeve Crandell found fault with Coun. Touchburn for allowing stones from the streets to be carried off by different people without any pay being received for them.

Coun. Keith also found fault with the street and bridge chairman for the same reason and thought that action should be taken to recover the price of the stone.

Coun. Touchburn explained his action in connection with the matter and denied selling to a person named by Reeve Crandell. He had no desire to shirk responsibility and took it for granted that all the stone taken had been paid for. That drawn away had not been measured and he was informed that the stone referred to was of no use to the council for putting on the streets, as the devil himself could not break them.

A TENDER MATTER.
Reeve Crandell found fault with Coun. Touchburn for opening and awarding tenders for street work to pets, without the sanction of other members of the committee. He also hinted that a certain tender had been changed by some person or persons unknown, so that a favorite might be awarded a contract.

Mayor Ray said the matter was entirely out of order, but he was willing to give Mr. Touchburn a chance to explain.

Coun. Touchburn explained Reeve Crandell of being venomous. He again explained that the stone had been built before he knew of it, by the Parkin Co. and built in the wall under the ground, and the council had to accept Mr. Parkin's word for the quantity taken. They were advertised for in the usual way and authority given to the committee to open and award them. On the Saturday night they were called to see Coun. Mallon and asked him to attend a meeting. He also saw the mayor, but neither could come, so Coun. Lovell and the speaker opened the tenders and awarded them, after the mayor had told him to bring them to his shop and he would tell the speaker what to do with them. With regard to changing the tender he furnished a statutory declaration.

Coun. Mallon said that he had asked Coun. Touchburn to delay the matter for a few days. He further said the action of Coun. Touchburn was "unconstitutional."

Coun. Touchburn said the first statement was a downright falsehood.

The clerk read a statutory declaration from John Reynolds, stating that the tender in question, which was sent in by him, was not tampered with in any way whatever.

Reeve Crandell moved that the matter be referred to the Street and Bridge Com.

Coun. Touchburn said that the matter should be disposed of in an open council.

Reeve Crandell was not at all satisfied with the affidavit and hinted very plainly that the whole thing was cooked and he even went so far as to state that he did not believe that there was a single word of truth in the statement or affidavit.

Coun. Touchburn said that he had the utmost confidence in the maker of the affidavit, and had always trusted him implicitly. He had been disgusted at the manner in which street work had been done by the public money was squandered and as an experiment he had put a man on to work by the rod, and the result was that the town had got far better jobs, at a fraction of the former cost. As chairman of the committee he had devoted more time to the town than any of his predecessors. All the work done by Reynolds occupied about three weeks.

Coun. Mallon would not dispute Mr. Reynolds word and always regarded him as a first-class workman, but he did think that Mr. Reynolds must have been informed of the amount of the other tender and thus cut down one cent and secured the contract. He censured Mr. Touchburn for opening the tenders and doing some work on Russell-st., without authority.

Coun. Lovell said he was present when the tenders were opened. Those present waited for half an hour and he felt confident that everything was done fair and square and the tenders as opened were at once taken to the mayor. He was prepared to swear that the tenders had not been altered.

whatever but only suggested how it might be done.

Coun. Touchburn put that in writing and I will make you sweat.

The mayor—If Mr. Killaby is not prepared to make such a charge, I consider the insinuation a mean, base, cowardly one.

Coun. Killaby said somebody must have altered the tender.

Coun. Mallon said that he had been informed that the clerk had refused to accept tenders that were offered to him.

The clerk replied that such was not correct and satisfactorily explained his action.

The mayor asked the clerk if any person had tampered with the tenders in his office? The clerk said that such was not done to his knowledge.

The Mayor explained that on the Saturday in question Mr. Touchburn and Mr. Lovell had called at his store and asked him to accompany them to the clerk's office for the purpose of opening tenders for sidewalk jobs.

Some of the clerks were away and he found it impossible to leave, but suggested that the committee open the tenders in the usual way and bring them to him and he would suggest what was best to do. In a short time Messrs. Touchburn and Lovell returned with the tenders opened and he recommended that the contract for the work be awarded to the lowest tenderer. At that time he did not notice the erasure, but thought the figure was 29 cents.

When he heard the matter spoken of on the street he looked at the tenders again and saw where an erasure had been made. He at once requested Mr. Touchburn to get the affidavit read this evening, for the purpose of clearing his skirts. He felt perfectly confident that Mr. Touchburn had done no wrong whatever and that the affidavit was perfectly true. The discussion went on until another person who wished to speak must reduce the charges to writing, when they would be properly investigated.

In the present case he thought that there was nothing wrong about Coun. Touchburn's action. No doubt that councillor had at times exceeded his authority, but in this instance he thought everything was fair and square. He had found fault with Coun. Touchburn for grading a portion of Russell-st. without authority from the council or the committee and he had insisted that Mr. Touchburn refund to the treasurer, the amount of money expended on the job, some six dollars.

Reeve Kyle asked if the chairman of a committee could not expend a limited sum without instructions from the committee? The mayor replied that the limit was \$5 and Coun. Mallon said it could only be spent in case of emergency.

The Mayor then declared the discussion closed and called for reports of committees.

Reeve Walters asked permission to make a few remarks. He felt confident that Mr. Touchburn was all right and that there was nothing shady about his action. He also pointed out that in 1886 a resolution had been passed by the council and had never been repealed requiring that the clerk should receive all tenders and that the same should be opened in the presence of the members of the committee and the tenderers. If that course had been followed in the present case, all this trouble and talk would have been obviated. He suggested that in future the resolution be strictly adhered to.

Coun. Touchburn, was afforded time to make an explanation. He was perfectly satisfied to pay for the work done on Russell-st. out of his own pocket, if after an inspection of it, the members of the committee were satisfied that the work was not well done, cheaply done and was not urgently required.

POLICE REPORT.
Coun. Killaby read a report from the police committee stating that several complaints had been made of duty on different occasions without leave and as the complaints were found to be correct, the committee recommend that the mayor suspend the chief for one month. The committee had also checked the reports of the chief for April, May and June and found them correct in every particular.—The report was adopted.

THE CARTERS AND LIVERYMEN.
Mr. D. R. Anderson, on motion, was heard. He appeared on behalf of the carters and urged the council to adopt the schedule of rates prepared by the carters, as they did not consider the rates embodied in the by-law to be sufficiently high in many respects. The carters also objected to some other minor clauses in the by-law. He suggested the formation of a committee to confer with the carters.

Mr. Albert Jewett, was heard. He complained that the livery license was excessive, when compared with the rates charged in neighboring places. He also felt a grievance that liverymen could not run a carryall, on big days, under their license.

Moved by Coun. Mallon, seconded by Coun. Bryans, that the Mayor, Reeves Kyle, Walters and Crandell, and mover and seconder be a committee to confer with the representatives of the different interests involved in by-law No. 689 and report at the next meeting.—Carried.

BOULEVARDING.
Mr. Jas. Graham asked the council to supply him with 160 feet of tile for boulevarding in front of his premises, on Bond-st.

Several councillors spoke in favor of the request.—Street and Bridge Com.

The council then adjourned until Monday evening next, when the estimates will be submitted.

THE G. T. R. RUNS TO JACOB'S ISLAND.

About Four Hundred Delighted People Take in the First Trip.

The annual excursion under the auspices of the managing committee of the Grand Trunk Library association took place on Friday last and was pronounced by the four hundred people who attended it, to be the best of the season. Everything passed off without a hitch and the managing committee of twenty-five railway employees, with Messrs. W. J. Cairns and W. J. Piggott as president and secretary respectively have every reason to congratulate themselves on the highly successful manner in which everything passed off.

Conductor McCarby had the ordering of the weather and he saw that just the right kind was supplied. It was an ideal day for a picnic and the crowd was one that knew how to enjoy it too.

Jacob's island was the place chosen and the boat was the Crandella. The journey down was an uneventful one. The only stop made was a short one at Bobcaygeon and the island was reached, three hours after leaving and just in time for dinner.

Mine host Galvin, of the cosy and popular hotel, was on the wharf to greet the boys and in the course of half an hour everybody was at home. Those who had baskets at once took possession of the many fine tables placed in shady nooks, around the beautiful point and all on the spot for a picnic. Mr. Galvin heard one-tenth of the complimentary remarks passed regarding his hotel, the attendance and the excellence of the bill of fare, to say nothing of the moderate charges, he was the proudest man on the island. But he deserved them all, as did his able co-adjutor Mr. John Donoghue, who both exerted themselves to their utmost to please their patrons and needless to say they succeeded admirably.

After attending to the wants of the inner man, the excursionists started out to inspect the island. Some took possession of the swings, some went boating, some went bathing, while a large number took possession of the dancing pavilion and "whelted the fure," to their hearts' content, to music furnished by Messrs. Christie and Galvin.

A railway picnic without sports and games would not be regarded as such at all by the boys and they had an excellent programme, for good prizes, many of which were presented by the Lindsay merchants. There were any number of races etc. for the boys and girls and every contestant got a prize too, so there was no jealousy whatever.

Under the able superintendence of Mr. A. B. McIntyre and a capable committee of G.T.R. men, the following programme of sports was run off in front of the hotel:

Married men's Race, 100 yards, 1st A. Robinson, alarm clock, 2nd J. McAdam naikin ring; young ladies race, 75 yards, 1st Miss Seaton album, 2nd, Miss Johns picture frame, 3rd, Miss Henderson; young men's race, 100 yards, 1st W. Mills brush and comb, 2nd, W. Robinson, shaving mug and brush, 3rd, W. Logan, bottle of perfume, (40c), by P. Morgan.

girl's race (under 12 years) 50 yards, 1st Miss E. Spier shell basket, 2nd, Miss A. Maddison, shell box, 3rd Miss L. Johnson shell slipper; men's race, open to all, 250 yards, 1st, Geo. Ryley, gold watch charm, 2nd, A. Robinson, gold watch chain; boy's race (under 12 years) 100 yards, 1st, J. McCarthy (\$1) by J. P. Ryley, 2nd, T. Walton knife, 3rd, A. Mallory; throwing 20lb weight (3 trials), 1st, Sam Brown, carving knife and fork, 2nd, F. Russell, pair scissors; running hop, step and jump, 1st, B. Robinson sugar shell, 2nd, J. Galvin butter knife; married ladies' race, 75 yards, 1st Mrs. P. Gorman, work box, 2nd, Mrs. Jordan, ladies, companion, 3rd, Mrs. Crowley, pocket book; three legged race, 50 yards, 1st J. McAdam & J. Crossen, 2nd prs. Little, 2nd, Mrs. Gorman, chamber set slippers, (\$1) by Johnston, 2 cigar holders, R. Davey & G. Ryley, 2 cigar boxes 3rd, J. Walton & W. Robinson, 2 boxes of soap; ladies' race open, 50 yards, 1st, Miss Johns, work box, (\$2.75) by G. A. Little, 2nd, Mrs. Gorman, chamber set by A. Campbell; fat man's race, 240 lbs and over, 1st, S. Laidlaw, hat, 2nd, G. Ryley, umbrella, (\$3) by McArthur & Co; old man's race, G. T. employees only by request of donors, 1st C. Coutermarcho arm chair, (\$2.50) given by Anderson, Nugent & Co, 2nd T. McAdam, arm chair; committee men's race, 100 yards, 1st, box of cigars, W Logan; boy's race, under 16, 1st, G. Ballard, 2nd, J. Britton.

The various events were all well contested and the prizes were at once handed to the winners.

And then came the tug-of-war. For an excitement, home runs and errors a Cobourg—Lindsay game could not touch it. It was a game of games. The match was between nines from the traffic and mechanical departments of the road and fun ran high from start to finish. There was some really good play, but as some of the men had not handled a ball or club for years there were many slips. The way Sandy Laidlaw ran bases was a terror to witness and he left his footprints in the clay every time he stepped.

One of the features of the game was a home run made by W. Davis, who fairly ripped the seams as he lifted the sphere over centre field fence. Each and every man who played managed to score at least one run. Another feature was the fact that every man was anxious to know when his turn "to pelt" came, while in the field there did not appear to

be much anxiety to run any distance for the ball. Truly it was a great game and as the time was limited even innings could not be played. Mr. Alex. McCrimmon umpired the game satisfactorily. The following is the score:—

TRAFFIC.	
R. O.	
J. F. Jobbitt r f	1 1
R. Greenbury c f	2 1
Russell 1 b	2 1
Pickett c p s	3 1
W. Davis 1 f	3 0
Harding 3 b	1 3
G. Ryley c p	2 10
Vansickler 2 b	2 10
R. Davey s s	1 2
McCarthy s s	1 10
Totals	18 9
MECHANICAL.	
R. O.	
W. Robinson r f	3 0
Reeves c p	3 0
McAdams 1 b	1 1
Topley c f	2 1
Crossen 2 b	1 1
J. Siddell s s	2 1
J. Walton p c	3 1
Laidlaw 1 f	2 0
A. Storer 3 b	1 1
Totals	18 6

Innings—I 2 3
Traffic—4 5 9—18
Mechanical—9 9 *—18

The start for home was made about four o'clock and the new wharf was reached shortly after 7 o'clock one and all and the trip the success of the season and the crowd being enthusiastic in praise of the Crandella, her officers and crew.

LINK PINS.
The mechanical men are just hankering for the return game and they state plainly that if their old boss, Mr. James Storer, had umpired the game, that they would have more confidence in themselves. They also have the consolation of knowing that the other fellows had an extra innings, at any rate.

Brakeman R. Greenbury caught a four pound lunge, the biggest catch of the day. Different parties made good catches of bass, a two pounder being the heaviest. Sandy Laidlaw was boss of the ballast on the Crandella and saw that the boat was kept in proper train.

Railway men are essentially family men. The lower cabin was literally packed with baby carriages.

The company fixed the trains so as to allow the greatest possible number of men off for a holiday.

Roadmaster Ferguson was one of the big guns and lent his aid in making everything a success.

Mr. Galvin said the crowd was the quietest and most jolly that visited the island this season.

OMEMEE.
Special to the Watchman.

The country—The recent rains have covered the country around here and will probably benefit the root crops.

DEAD.—Our local paper, the Recorder, is "dead." An account of the demise was written in last week's issue. The editor, Mr. Hand, has made many friends here and is a most exemplary temperance reformer, but those who undertook to assist him in clearing out licenses, hotels etc., and reforming this town beyond any village in the Dominion have deserted him and not much wonder. He has become discouraged.

THE CHURCHES.—The churches were well attended last Sabbath. Communion services were dispensed in Christ's church by the Rev. Mr. McCann, the popular pastor. Rev. Mr. Thompson, the popular minister of the Methodist church, preached to a large and appreciative congregation in the Methodist church.

Rev. J. Ewing conducted the services in the Presbyterian church last Sabbath. The Presbyterian pulpit will be occupied by Mr. Dobson, student of Magill College, Montreal, in charge of Rev. R. Johnston's church, Lindsay, commencing at 2.30 o'clock.

PERSONALS.—Miss Liguide, of Orillia, is visiting with Janet Lamb.

CITY HOLIDAY.—Our civic holiday is spoken of for about the 30th of August, when an excursion to Jacob's Point or some other popular place is in contemplation under the auspices of the Masonic Lodge here.

[Received too late for last week.]
BOUNTFUL.—This is good harvest weather and the bulk is saved little injured by the recent hail storms.

PERSONAL.—Mr. Geo. Lamb's condition is much the same, Dr. Cornwall and Dr. McAlpine, Lindsay, are in attendance.
GOING AHEAD.—Our village building operations are considered by travellers, extremely active for the size of the place and still more will follow.
A RARITY.—Police court trials are very rare, as the law is so strict against anything abusive or insulting. Money is too scarce to be squandered in this manner.
A HUSTLER.—Mr. J. D. Thornton is actively engaged in fire and life insurance loaning agent for financial firms—valuator &c.
LOOKED AFTER.—The majority of farmers have self-binders in and around Omemee and got the credit of looking after them more carefully than their servants in some cases particularly those from the "homes."

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