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COUNCIL AND GAS COMPANY CONFER ON THE STREET LIGHT

The Contract Has Been Abandoned, and a New Basis Proposed

GAS OFF MAIN STREETS

The Lamps in Use Admitted to Have Only a 25 Candle Power Flame—Arrears Settled at 60 Percent

The company admitted that the lamps in use gave only a 25 candle-power flame.

The company said that to give an actual 150-candle-power flame at the contract price is "a commercial impossibility."

The old contract will be abandoned, and a new one made. This will provide for 100 lamps on residential streets with better than the present equipment, at \$15 a lamp.

In the meantime the present lights will remain at a cost of 80 percent of the old contract price.

The foregoing clauses summarize the result of a 3-hour conference between the council and two representatives of the Gas Company on Tuesday night.

The meeting had been arranged for on Saturday night, but some members of council did not understand that it had definitely been decided up.

"We are anxious to please this town and do a good domestic lighting business, and we want the council's co-operation as far as may be."

These were the words of Mr. Dunstan at the close of the conference, and Mayor Sootheran's reply was just as happy.

Council could not consider the light produced under a reflector as fulfilling the contract whereat Mr. Burgess said:

"To give an actual 150-candle-power flame for the price you pay is a commercial impossibility."

Mr. Dunstan said the contract called for a flame but a lamp of 150 candle power—that is a lamp so equipped that it would give out a 150-candle power light.

Mr. Burgess—I believe that when we get our four-way reflectors on the light thrown out will equal nearly an average 150 candle power. The lamps have not yet given us those reflectors but promise to do so in a few days.

Mr. Dunstan said Toronto had accepted the same test applied here, and had paid \$32 for the hydro-carbon light of 80-candle-power.

But council had a chronic way of considering the other fact that the light was not up to contract, and that that frame of mind Solicitor Hopkins ever and anon ministered.

Mr. Dunstan continued: "Let us set aside the contract for a moment and get down to the common sense of the thing. It is absolutely impossible to give such a light as you want for the price. We never dream of it. We thought you were sensible and would be satisfied with a good light at a low price without exacting the terms of the contract. We have spent \$16,000 here."

of mains more than we agreed to. We tried to please you; but we have received a good deal of abuse from the public and the press and we feel much hurt.

Mr. Burgess—We have had people here from Chicago, New York and Ottawa and they were highly pleased with the light, and important contracts are being closed as a result.

Ald. Cinnamon—You do not claim to be giving us the contract light? Mr. Burgess—That depends on what legal construction can be put upon the contract.

Mr. Dunstan—Your men saw the Toronto light and were satisfied to get a similar one. No doubt you contemplated such a light when you drew the contract, Mr. Hopkins.

Mr. Hopkins—I did not see the Toronto light, and contemplated nothing but an actual 150-candle-power light. I consider you have not lived up to the contract and advised council that they could end the contract.

Mr. Burgess—We did not reckon to go into the legal side of the question, and brought no lawyer; we want to negotiate in the matter. We have not given you the 150-candle-power lights.

Mr. Burgess—We have had our staff under order to do that properly. I have known since the fall that you had a detective watching our men on that point.

Mr. Dunstan asked what about the arrears of \$1000 or more. Mr. Hopkins—I advised the town to stop payment until you lived up to the contract.

Mr. Dunstan—But we do not accept the light as a fulfillment of the contract. Ald. Maunder—It is a poor, miserable light anyway.

Mr. Burgess—We are willing to improve it some. Mr. Hopkins—The people are getting exasperated.

Mr. Dunstan—So are we. Mayor Sootheran—If a 4-way reflector could make a light up to contract we would likely accept it.

Mr. Burgess—If you are going to hold us to the contract as you interpret it, and bring a law suit on us, we shall not go to any more expense.

Mr. Dunstan—No odds which side won, a lawsuit would not tend to future harmony. Ald. Cinnamon—A fair proposition to the town could be accepted.

Mr. Burgess—That is a way of settling it. Mr. Dunstan—How many lamps do you want for the residential streets?

Manager Smith—There are about 40 lights on the main streets. Mr. Burgess—We would leave you 100 modern lamps and put on a better burner and 4-way reflector for the same price we are getting now—\$15 a lamp.

had better take 50 per cent. of the bill. Mr. Burgess—We will call the big lamps 150 candle power too. They were not 1500.

Mr. Hopkins—Lamps were often put out too early, and some when going gave a very poor light. Mr. Burgess—We have put in 12 miles instead of 8 of mains, and that has increased our expense for looking after the lamps.

Mayor Sootheran—No, you have not. Mr. Burgess—We expect to do a good business in domestic lighting here.

Mr. Hopkins—What do you think a fair settlement? Mr. Dunstan—100 cents on the dollar.

Mr. Burgess—You do not want us to lose money. Mayor Sootheran—We do not; nor do we want to lose. I think 60 percent of the contract price would be a fair settlement of the arrears.

Ald. O'Reilly—We have got only 25 instead of 150 candle power. Ald. McCrae—We do not want to pay for a gallon of oil if we get only a sixth of it.

Mr. Dunstan—Say \$1000. Mayor Sootheran—The proper bill is \$1,154. Strike off 40 percent, and settle for \$700 say \$750.

Then the way out came in sight. The \$750 offer was accepted, the present lighting was to continue as long as the town wanted it, at 80 percent of the old price.

These are the propositions that will be submitted to the company and considered by council, and if approved by both, will be adopted.

Little Britain Adverse criticism has revealed the fact that whatever good there is in agricultural societies, the credit belongs to the township fairs, and the general consensus of opinion at the

COUNCIL ORDERED MR. HOPKINS TO GET THE PARK LEGISLATION

The \$100 For the Legislature was Voted on Monday Night, and the Solicitor Told To Go Ahead

BUTCHERS AND GROCERS Council Tries to Meet the Demands of Those Who Want Popular Control of the Library

"You sell sausage; we'll sell tea." That has been the attitude of the butchers and grocers to each other for some time, and on Saturday night they asked council to legislate on the subject.

Mr. Sootheran—The proposition of those who are collecting money for a site is not fairly before council. It is said that because the people voted down a by-law to spend \$2000, not a cent can be given for that purpose.

Mr. E. D. Moore—No. Judge Harding—It makes not a particle of difference to me where the library is put.

Mr. R. M. Beal—Lindsay has kickers and kickers against the kickers. I hold the people have a right to vote down what they don't want as often as they get a chance.

Mr. Flavelle—I think the council favors retaining the property even though it were bought by subscription and grant.

Mr. W. Flavelle—I object; it is absurd to get the property for the town and then pay for legislation to get it back into the town's name just to satisfy Mr. Beal.

Mr. Beal—It is not for me alone. Mr. Flavelle—I don't care if it is to please the whole lot.

Mr. Hopkins—It will cost as much to get an amendment to the Library Act as to get special legislation allowing what you want to do.

Provincial Convention sustains the township fair. The concert given at the town hall, Oakwood, next Tuesday evening is making good headway for a successful entertainment.

Our merchant, Mr. Tripp, bought a farm a few days ago, a short distance west of this village, and is going to commence farming in connection with his business.

This community mourns the lost face of their beloved friend W. A. Falls, the late member for this county, who died on March the 2nd.

For three months he had been suffering from a form of cancer in the jaw, supposed to have come from having some teeth extracted. He suffered the severest pain, but bore it with christian patience.

He occupied the farm which he was born on 74 years ago, until two years ago, having given it to his oldest son, and removed a short distance to another.

By his honesty and industry he accumulated a large portion of this world's good, and had his heart and hand not been always ready to help the poor and the needy, he would be numbered with the rich.

He leaves a name behind him which is nobler than riches. He was councillor in the township of Cayam for a number of years and also represented East Durham in the provincial parliament from 1894 to 1902.

He was a consistent member of the Methodist church for many years, and in politics a liberal conservative. He leaves to mourn his loss a widow, three sons and three daughters, the oldest daughter having died a year ago, which bore very heavy on his declining years.

The funeral to Gardner's cemetery on Wednesday was the last that was ever in the township.

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INFRINGEMENT OF A TRADE MARK

In an action in the High Court of Justice for Ontario, recently tried before Chaceford Boyd, at Toronto, the Slater Shoe Co., and Chas. E. Slater, president of Montreal, makers of the famous Slater Shoe, obtained a judgment restraining F. C. Wilkinson, a boot and shoe dealer of Owen Sound from advertising, offering, exposing for sale or selling boots or shoes not made by the Slater Shoe Co., as "Slater Shoes," "Slater Goods" or "The Slater Shoe."

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R. NEILL

Sole Local Agent for the Slater Shoe

To the Ladies of West Victoria You are requested to attend a meeting to be held in the Council Chamber, Lindsay, on Tuesday, 24th March next, at 10 o'clock p.m., to assist in organizing a Woman's Institute for West Victoria.

Don't Miss the Concert Don't forget the Young People's concert to be given by the Queen-st Methodist church on Thursday evening next, March 19th.

Don't Cough in Church Last Sunday you did. Everybody looked at you. They wished you had known enough to stay at home. Get a bottle of Ayer's Cherry Pectoral, stop coughing, and play to church next Sunday.

Sporting Notes The stake races of the Peterboro Turf Club will be held on August 5th and 6th next, over a half mile track. The events include \$500 purses for 2.50 pacers and 2.47 trotters, \$500 for 2.30 pacers and 2.27 trotters. Entries close April 15th.

Foot of Kent St.