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CHIEF CONSTABLE BELL DISMISSED

A Brief Meeting of Council on Friday Night—Ald. Crandell Warmed Up

The adjourned meeting of council occupied about an hour on Friday night. The members were all present and the dismissal of Chief Bell was the main item of business.

LETTERS

Two petitions for sanitary sewers were presented and will be considered. A number of accounts were sent to their committees. The charity dispensers' reports were read.

REPORTS

The board of works had refused Mr. Gubben's request for a deeper drain near his place; Mr. Walsh's application for the position of sewer inspector was filed since that appointment is in the hands of the engineer. The board also advised that tenders be advertised for, to build the Lindsay-Melbourne sts. sewers and the granolithic on the north side of Kent street. The commissioner will find the likely cost of opening Glenelg-st. from Logie st. to the river. The south end of the Lindsay-st. bridge will be covered with stone to raise the traffic above the water that accumulates there. The report was adopted.

RESOLUTIONS CARRIED

Graham—Jackson.—That the pound-keeper use the town lumber yard for a pound until a suitable place is secured.

Graham—Crandell.—That the treasurer be authorized to pay for improvements to the park on the order of the chairman of town property.

Gilgoly—Hore.—That in view of the chief constable's failure to attend to his duties he be dismissed and another man got.

Jackson—Hore.—That the board of works notify the proper persons that the town will not require any more of the rock taken from the river-bed.

Ald. Crandell.—I want to discuss that a little. We have leased ground to pile that on and we shall need it bad enough before long. I do not see why that resolution has been sprung on us. I made the contract for ground to pile that stone on and it is not honorable to go back on it. Mr. Jackson is not competent to understand the value of that rock. I know it will be worth thousands of dollars to us before long. The Wellington-st. bridge will have to have new piers soon and it will cost us a lot of money to get rock from a distance then. Let us look ahead and economize. This stone is not costing us anything and when we need it it will cost \$5 a cord. Let us look to the future and—

The Mayor—There are some ladies here captain. (Ladies were waiting to hold a meeting.)

Ald. Crandell—I don't care for the ladies. I am talking of an important matter to this town and it is of as much interest to the ladies as to the men. With

TO CAPE TOWN WITH THE STRATHCONAS

Mr. Joshua Paul of Janetville Writes a Letter About the Trip

On board S.S. Monterey, April 5th, 1900.

Dear Mother,—I can write you now with a little experience of a sea voyage, and we have had a good trip so far—pleasant weather and a smooth sea. We have seen a good many vessels. Some of them were quite close, but we have not had a chance to post any mail yet.

When we passed Cape Verde Island the vessel came close enough to signal. As our journey is drawing to a close I thought I would start a few letters and add to them when I get a chance, and have them ready to mail when we get on shore.

Well mother I would make a better sailor than I thought. I have not been sea-sick, have not missed a meal and worked in a good many meals between times. But the doctor vaccinated me and I have had an awful arm for the past four or five days. It will soon be all right again. If I am at this kind of work much longer I will be too fat to do anything else in the hot weather. You know when we came near the equator the kind of a climate we would have. I stood on the deck in the sun and could see no shadow. You could not tell where a blister might rise.

It was a pitiful sight the first couple of days we were at sea. To see the trembling mass of humanity that strewed the deck was a sight long to be remembered. Our horses suffered something dreadful; we have thrown 135 overboard already.

April 10—At 12 o'clock to-day we cast anchor in Table Bay in sight of Cape Town. They gave us orders to get our mail ready to post so I have not much time and they are going to take us up to Durban without disembarking. We have lost 160 horses but the men stood the trip fine. I will have to draw to a close for the present. I remain your sincere and loving son,

JOSHUA PAUL.

MEETING OF PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD

A Brief Session of the Board was Held on Monday Night

On Monday night the Public Library board met in the council chamber. Present: His Honor Judge Harding, chairman; His Worship Mayor Smyth, Mr. E. A. Hardy, B.A., sec., Dr. Blanchard, treas., Mr. F. D. Moore and Magistrate Steers. Rev. Mr. Macmillan was unable to be present. As might be expected from the personnel of this board its deliberations are probably nearer the ideal for such bodies than any other in town and an example for them all.

COMMUNICATIONS

A letter from the town clerk said that the auditors had found fault because he had advanced the board money on the Public Library rate before council had endorsed such payment. He had done it on the advice of Judge Harding that the funds belonged to the library by statute.

The Judge explained that such is the case but that the auditor should have a voucher the council must pass a resolution allotting the money.

Mayor Smyth—That resolution has not been passed by council for the reason that no estimates have been passed. I have tried to get them through but members of the council have blocked them, hoping to force up the rate. Now the rate has been fixed. The first week in June is the latest time for passing the estimates and if the opposition continues till then, the clerk and myself will pass them under our powers by statute. We started to arrange this matter at the first meeting in January but the very members who were in the greatest haste then have since been the foremost in blocking the estimates. As a result of this state of affairs all the works now going on are irregular and I should stop them but that I know they are such as the council is pretty unanimous on.

A letter from the American Library Association said that this organization had not since its inception in 1876 held an annual convention outside of the States but this in June next will be held in Montreal. A delegate was asked.—Laid on table.

Miss Razzin, librarian, asked for Tuesday and Thursday of this week.—Laid on table.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The library and reading room committee recommended that Sec. Hardy be the delegate to the convention of the Library Association in June.

Mr. Moore—What is the probable expense? How long does it last?

Mr. Hardy—It lasts as long as you like to stay. After the week of convention proper, there is a post-convention which includes a trip down the St. Lawrence. The cost might be set at \$25.

Judge Harding—Mr. Hardy receives no salary and a trip of this sort would be only a small recognition of his services apart from the information he would bring us.

Mr. Moore—It is just as well to fix a limit, for when a man takes a trip down the river it might be expensive to give him a free hand.

Mr. Steers—Probably it would be safer to trust Mr. Hardy to take a trip down the river, than some other members of the board. If Mr. Moore and I went for instance—(Laughter).

The sum of \$25 was voted. The library committee reported also the number of books taken during the month and other statistics. These showed that five religious books and 1,109 of fiction had been used and that 19 new members had been received.

The prize essays in the competition instituted last fall had been received. There were only four; they are in the judges' hands. After discussion it was decided that the prizes would be distributed at the closing exercises of the collegiate. Judge Harding and Rev. J. W. Macmillan, B.A., will present them. The report in full was adopted.

The board is threatened with a law suit because it sent back the volumes of "English Masterpieces" ordered on approbation from an agent of the Montreal Star. There is such an array of legal talent among its membership however that it has such threats in derision.

AN OSTRICH SCORES AS AN AQUATIC FOWL

Lively Time in Toronto Bay—Narrow Escape From Drowning

The Toronto Mail of Saturday contains the following:

A bull in a china shop never caused such excitement as was created in East Toronto a couple of days ago by a mad ostrich. "Bob Fitzsimmons," the biggest bird in Mr. Lundy's ostrich farm and the surprise and everlasting wonder of every child who visits Munro park in the summer time, broke out of the enclosure in which he was confined, and in spite of strenuous efforts to capture him was at liberty for several hours. In his mad race, which extended two miles southward in the lake and several miles over the land, he knocked two men completely out and precipitated four others into the icy waters of the lake, one of whom was nearly drowned. The bird was not caught until he had sustained what will probably be fatal injuries to himself.

"Bob Fitzsimmons" is a beautiful specimen of an ostrich and weighs more than 300 pounds. When his escape was noticed his keepers and several other workmen who are putting the park in shape for the summer promptly gave chase. This frightened the big fellow, however, and he refused to go back to house. He was finally cornered, but as his pursuers were about to close in on him he let out with one of his tremendous claws and knocked one of the men over like a log. Again the bird started off, and making for the lake plunged in, and swam straight out from the shore. A boat was quickly manned by four men, and the pursuit continued. About two miles out they succeeded in turning the big ostrich, nothing of which could be seen but the long neck and head.

UPSET THE BOAT

Coming back towards the shore the men gained on the bird, and overtook him a few feet from the land. The boat was rowed alongside the bird, while one man attempted to throw a bag over his head. The ostrich quickly turned, dealing the boat a stroke with his foot which completely overturned it, throwing its occupants into several feet of water. One man, who could not swim, was rescued with much difficulty, and did not regain consciousness for several hours. In the meantime "Bob Fitzsimmons" reached the shore, and started across the country with another gang of men hot after him. He made for East Toronto, and ran into the Grand Trunk yards there. Several railway men joined in the pursuit, and big "Bob" was finally cornered between two fences and a large pile of iron rails. A big railway man, who was anxious to cover himself with glory, made a dash at the ostrich and attempted to throw his arms around its neck.

ANOTHER MAN KNOCKED OUT

Just as his hands touched the bird's feathers he was stopped by a stroke from the iron claw, and was picked up a minute afterwards sore and bleeding from the place he fell on the other side of the iron rails.

The ostrich, again started off, and entered a large ploughed field. On reaching the open space the great bird rushed down the field faster than a horse could gallop. He soon came to grief, however. At the end of the field was a barb wire fence, into which he dashed full speed, cutting and tearing his skin in several places. The barb wires held him fast, while a near-by farmer threw a rope over his head and captured him. One of the barbs made a wound in his neck several inches long, and the bird, which is of great value, is not expected to live.

Thundering Racket in Suits!

DOLLARS IN THE POCKETS OF CLOTHING BUYERS

When it comes to a question of Leadership, GOUGH has got something interesting to say. Trouble in the Suit business has commenced. Last week we negotiated for a big raft of Men's, Youths' and Boys' Summer Suits in smart and popular selling styles. Manufacturers wanted money, had goods to trade for it, offered "spanking" good inducements, which we couldn't resist—neither will you when you read this sequel.

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