

THE MONEY BY-LAWS

In less than three weeks the property-holders of the town will be required to vote upon money bylaws that provide for an expenditure of \$36,000. It is an undertaking that calls for some consideration. To arrive at the right conclusion and do the wisest thing in such a case are no mean achievements and of no trifling value to the town. To aid, in any degree, to that end, is an enviable task for a newspaper.

We confess to less buoyancy in attempting that task than upon doing so with regard to any former public question. There is room for the fear that reason cannot always dictate the policy of the town. What ought to be done is no indication of what will be done. The self-evidently right thing is by no means a sure winner. It has not been; if it had the town would not have had so many blunders to regret as it has today. For these errors the council must bear a heavy share of blame; nor can the Board of Trade escape unless by going out of existence. When the lighting question was up and the municipal plant was clearly the proper thing, council stubbornly, unreasonably, and with bad temper, spurned that policy and gave the town the system it has today, a system, which, whatever its merits, is manifestly so inferior to a municipal electric plant as to be a municipal misfortune. When the firehall was being located, council insisted on the present site. It was clearly the wrong site, with regard to the interests of both the market square and the building itself. A public meeting protested, but council obstinately challenged it. Then the Board of Trade in bogus session, reinforced the council and members of both bodies offensively attacked in public those who advocated another site. Now the hall is built; it is a fine structure and no one, who cares for such things can help feeling well-founded regret every time he sees it struggling to appear well in the mudhole it has been put in. Never was the architectural art subjected to worse indignity nor a noble structure more ignobly placed. Nothing but pitiable abtuse-ness to the fitness of things has given it such a situation, nor has so ignored future needs of the market square. No wonder it was the ante-mortem performance of the Board of Trade.

These things are mentioned now only as cases in which official hostility to common-sense policies has both laid the foundation for future regret, and discouraged the efforts of both the public and the press in the town's behalf. As long as men of position and influence, lead the town astray, it will not get along any better. Lindsay has been notoriously hampered by an ill-advised past. Its future, however, is before the town; in many ways it holds bright prospects; that its citizens will wisely encourage their realization is not too much to hope. It is with a determination to do something toward fulfilling that hope that every property-holder should go to the poll on August the 18th.

Little interest seems to be taken in the approaching vote. It will be unfortunate if that is and continues to be so. It should be known that to submit these bylaws will cost between \$200 and \$300. If money for the purposes is to be voted at any time it is worth while voting it now to save the cost of submitting the bylaws again.

In deciding which way to vote on the money bylaws our citizens should not be too much influenced by the cry of high taxes. The rate of taxation is high but the assessment is comparatively low. The amount paid by any one person is no great burden. Well-to-do men pay \$35 or \$40 a year. Rich men pay \$150 or \$200. Taxes constitute the smallest of any man's important expenditures. Only a few very poor people suffer any hardship in paying them. What harm would it do the man who pays \$40 if he paid \$50? He would never know the difference but the difference made general would make Lindsay into a beautiful sanitary and well-equipped town. The cry about heavy taxes has been too general and got too much attention for the town's good. Things must be done; it takes money to do them; and money must be had.

The bylaw for \$2000 to buy a site for the Public Library appears less a hardship since the price of the building itself is being given to the town. The town has land of its own but none on which anybody would like to see the library put. It will be in the way on the little park; if the big park was not liable to be covered with water occasionally it

would be in many respects an ideal location and would render buying a lot unnecessary. It is said on very good authority that when the township of Ops gets its drains to the southeast of the town, in condition, the Sylvester creek will never overflow. In that case, by all means put the library there. It does not seem likely, however, that while the drain under the park is the size it is now, the park will ever be perfectly safe from the overflow. Rather than sacrifice the fine new library building to an unsuitable location, vote the \$2000 dollars by all means.

The \$14,000 bylaw to build a new north ward school is submitted at the instance of the school board. Of the merits of the demand we personally know nothing; but the fact that the school board asks for the money and supports its request with the information that it has, makes us free to advocate its support. The board is composed of gentlemen whose opinions on school buildings, at all events, is worthy of public confidence. School buildings must be bad and good ones; the average man knows nothing about what condition they are in; he does not inform himself on that point; he leaves it to the school board; he does well, and when the board says a new building is necessary he should say, "Well build it." Especially should he say so when the school board has got expert advice as it this case it has. Unless he can inform himself that a new school is not needed, it is hard to see on what basis a property-holder is going to vote against the \$14,000 bylaw.

The bylaw to raise \$20,000 for good roads seems like a chance to solve a difficult, well-nigh desperate problem. The condition into which the leading streets have got of late is an answer to all objections. Kent street needs a third of the whole sum asked for and needs it right away. The sum of \$20,000 is so evidently an immediate necessity that debating it seems a waste of time. The current revenue will build little or no roads; special funds must be got and the amount spent each year in patching will meet the annual payments of debentures for \$20,000.

OMEMEE

July 29th—Farmers are very busy saving their hay crop. Other grains are also ripe. Binders cannot work owing to quantities of rain. R. J. Adams, implement agent, is very busy setting up machinery and Major Evans is kept running day and night at repairs on machinery. Our baseball club claim they held down Lindsay professionals as well as expected, and hope to give a closer game on the return match.

In a very interesting local baseball match between the married and single men on Monday evening the single men defeated their opponents by a score of 32 to 26. Great interest and enthusiasm was shown, especially by the ladies: Bobcaygeon plays the return match here on Friday. A swift game is expected.

Mr. J. J. Nicholls is able to sit out on his door platform and see his mill going, after being confined to his bed for 16 weeks. A party of about 46 from here took in the excursion today to Lake Ontario per steamer Niagara.

We expect to have some of the Kawartha tugs or yachts make a trip up here during the high water, which is 5 feet high here now. Mr. Higgin, division court inspector, made a visit to our local office and found everything satisfactory. It is not at all likely that the courts will be removed from here and other places in the county.

MANILLA

It is our painful duty to chronicle the death of Robert Carter, third son of Mr. George Carter of this village, who died at the age of 36 at Vancouver, B. C. News was received by the parents on the 10th inst when John hurried to the west to bring the remains home, having previously telegraphed the undertaker there to carefully embalm the body. On his arrival there it was ascertained that Robert had entered the city hospital, and after two days' illness he died of pneumonia despite the best medical attendance and the constant assistance of two trained nurses. The remains arrived on the 23rd and the funeral took place on the 25th, the body being laid to rest in the Methodist grave yard here. The funeral was a very large and representative one. Many beautiful wreaths from friends and associates in childhood of the deceased, covered the casket showing the high esteem in which he was held by those who knew him. The Rev. Mr. Robinson of the Methodist church and the Rev. Mr. Daniels of the Baptist church preached the funeral services which were held at the house. The five remaining brothers, Alfred, William, John, George and Richard and Mr. Wm. H. Robinson, a brother-in-law acted as pall-bearers. The aged parents and the remaining eight brothers and sisters have the sincere sympathy of the community in this first break in the large family.

OAKWOOD

July 30—Miss Pearl Bowes of Lindsay has been visiting friends in the village for a few days. Mr. Silas Short who has been working in Palmerston is home on a visit. Mr. Norman Workman is home for a few holidays. Miss Nettie Perrin returned Monday evening from Cannington where she spent two weeks visiting friends. Mr. and Mrs. Herb. Thorndike are

holidaying in the village. Mr. Lesley Bowes has returned from the Old Country looking extra well. The last few days has been fine haying weather. A good deal of wheat has already been cut. A number from here went into town last week to see Norris and Rowe's big animal show.

Two interesting and beneficial sermons were preached by Rev. Mr. Clare last Sunday to large audiences. In his usual clear and practical manner he gave an address on the "Sanctified Life" in the morning. A mistaken sermon took up the half-hour in the evening. Quarterly meeting services will be held in the Methodist church next Sunday morning, commencing at 10 o'clock.

Some of our citizens think the village drain is not what it was first cracked up to be, since it runs by their doors six inches above the cellar. This is the pleasant state of affairs a few of our residents are up against. It will certainly cost us enough to ensure a perfect and satisfactory job. The surveyor has been notified and may be able to explain his method of calculation.

Twice has the Methodist Sunday school made preparations for an entertainment in the hall and each time there has been a wet and disagreeable evening. The idea of something of this kind has not altogether been abandoned so the public may look for some future announcement. Friday will be notable in dog history. On that day five of the most influential canines in the village came to a miserable end by strychnine administered by a practised hand. Poison had been put out in a likely place as the animals died within a short time of each other. The estimation of a person capable of such an act can be measured by the sentiment it calls forth. The existence of an expert dog-poisoner in our midst had long been a well-known fact as examples of his (or her) cowardly work have occurred every now and then, but five at a time is certainly carrying this enviable profession to a very high degree.

ALL FEARS NOW BANISHED.

King Edward Able to Walk and All Restrictions as to Diet Have Been Withdrawn.

London, July 30.—The latest and most reliable information indicates that King Edward's doctors were not mistaken in fixing Aug. 9 as the date upon which His Majesty could be crowned. The sinister rumors which have pervaded all classes for the last few days now appear to have lost the semblance of probability which made even the members of the Cabinet nervous lest another postponement of the coronation might be necessitated. The apprehension that King Edward would be unable to stand the strain of the coronation ceremony has been greatly lessened by the announcement that His Majesty is now permitted to use his feet, and with the aid of a stick, has done a little walking.

Another late telegram from Cowes, Isle of Wight, saying that nearly all the restrictions upon the King's diet have been withdrawn, has been welcomed, as evidence that the recent ominous deductions were drawn without due allowance for the doctor's extreme cautiousness. While the King was testing his ability to walk, two stalwart jockies stood by his side. After this experiment, which boded well for his fulfilling the ceremonial coronation functions, at Westminster Abbey, King Edward sat smoking on the deck of the royal yacht, and watched the races of the small yachts of Cowes.

According to the present arrangements, King Edward and Queen Alexandra will leave Cowes either Aug. 6 or Aug. 8, for Buckingham Palace, and will return to the royal yacht to pass before King Edward and salute him, thus making a second naval review. After his return to the yacht, the King is expected to take an extended cruise to the northward, and, subsequently, to spend some weeks at Balmoral, where preparations for the arrival of Their Majesties have already been commenced.

Sir Joseph C. Dimsdale, the Lord Mayor of London, expects King Edward to visit the City of London, the week ending Oct. 11 when a great luncheon will be held in the Guild Hall, which is to be followed by a royal procession through the south of London.

LIGHT ON EVANS' MYSTERY.

Ninety-Nine Gallons of Alcohol Missing Says the Manager.

Toronto, July 30.—There were interesting developments in the Evans warehouse mystery last night, and facts brought out before the coroner's jury that may supply a motive for the possible murder of Edward Gen and George Whalley and the persistent effort made to fire the building the night of May 30, when the vault was tampered with.

The discovery has been made that the stock of Evans' & Sons is short five hundred dollars' worth of alcohol, ninety-nine gallons. The startling information was given to the jury by John B. Spencer, present manager. The statement came late in the evening, and had been anticipated by various questions put to each employee who took the stand, touching the manner in which shipments were made, whether or not they knew of any goods being taken from the stock in an irregular manner, and how cheques were kept on shipments from the warehouse. A complete invoice of the stock has not yet been made, and other supplies may be short. This is rapidly being done now, and figures will be secured from the Montreal end of the firm to verify the figures here.

General Uprising Feared.

Lisbon, July 30.—Reports from Portuguese West Africa, where there have been rumors of troubles with the natives, show that the disorders are assuming a grave character. In the Province of Loanda several garrisons were attacked and fortified places were burned. A general uprising is feared.

SAID IN FEW WORDS

Dr. Burrows: "I will move on Monday night to repeal the bylaws appointing a town solicitor and street commissioner."

Mr. Geo. Matthews: "I like the street light furnished by the Gas Company very well."

"The wet has destroyed a great deal of stuff for me," said Mr. Maxom. "Cauliflowers and cabbage plants are ruined. The corn is badly hurt. It means a heavy loss."

"One indication of good times," said Mr. Rober Campbell, "is that people are paying the first premiums on their life insurance policies in cash. About 75 percent of the good, careful business is paid that way. There are not nearly so many notes given as formerly."

"Some country people are so afraid of catching disease from town folks, that if you are driving toward them on the road, they will turn down a sideline till you get past, and then come back onto the road again," said Mr. Thos. Blackwell.

Mr. P. C. Larkin, a wealthy lumberman of Toronto, and summer denizen of Muskoka: "Sturgeon Point is a very good resort. No place that I know of in Muskoka is so nicely wooded."

"I had cabbage this spring before anybody else within 50 miles of Lindsay. I sold some to the Simpson House on July 11th," said "Dicky" Wilkinson.

Mr. Jas. M. Squier: "The pea crop has been hurt by the wet, but it is not hurt nearly so much as one might suppose. It is not as bad as the farmers suppose, either. A good many want to turn their hogs into the crop because they see the straw turning black at the bottom. I have seen that blackness before, and had the peas come out all right. The early crop is badly hurt, but the late will be very good. The farmers are great complainers; the crop will be much better than last year."

Mr. W. Curtis: "I helped to build Mr. Wardrobe's cottage at Rosedale. It is a fine cottage, 50 feet long, with a 20-foot verandah at the northwest corner. It was opened on Friday night."

"I think the wet weather has kept the hay growing and green, so that a good deal of it will be good if cut soon," said Mr. A. W. Parkin.

"The egg business is being ruined by the export poultry business," said Mr. Thos. Hartley, foreman of the Dundas and Flavell egg house. "The demand for big chickens has led to growing Plymouth Rocks, which was a good to lay. Where the little old common fowl would lay thirty dozen in a summer, the Rocks lay a dozen or so and then quit. The little fowls are nearly all gone. As a result instead of employing thirty-two men as last year, we have only fourteen at the egg house this summer. The price of eggs is two or three cents a dozen better, however. Last year the English market required a good many smaller table fowl and as the demand increases things may right themselves."

A good many barns have been struck by lightning this summer," said Mr. J. W. Greenway of Cambridge. "But hardly any were set on fire. It may be that if the crop had been in them, more of them would have been burned."

Ald. O'Reilly: "Mr. Goodwin's suggestion that the Public Library should be in the town hall rebuilt, is not a bad one if the old building was firm enough to permit the alterations that would be necessary."

"Wednesday night's storm a week ago was a bad one," said Mr. Geo. Jordan. "I was up at Beaverton. Half a dozen barns were struck in that vicinity and in Eldon. None were burned. The crops were badly knocked down."

"I saw Lord Dundonald disembark at Montreal when I was down there the week ending Oct. 11," said Mr. P. G. Pilkie. "He is a tall, lank fellow, but apparently wide-awake and practical."

The Lindsay Markets

Table with columns for GRAINS, VEGETABLES, and MEAT, POULTRY AND DAIRY. Includes items like Fall Wheat, Spring Wheat, Barley, Oats, Peas, Blackeye Peas, Alstke Clover, Red Clover, Potatoes, Butter, Chickens, Turkeys, Geese, Lard, Beef-Hides, Hogs, and Hay.

Four Lost North Leads.

London, July 30.—The bye-election for member for the House of Commons to represent North Leeds, resulted in the election of Rowland Barran. Liberal. Mr. Barran received 5,339 votes to 6,781 cast for Sir Arthur Lawson, Conservative. The seat was made vacant by the elevation to the peerage of William Lawson Jackson, Conservative, who had sat for North Leeds since 1880. This shows the conversion of the Tory majority of 2,517, in 1900, into a Liberal majority of 738.

Hot Weather Comforts FOR AUGUST--The Vacation ... Month ...

Advertisement for clothing and accessories. Includes items like Men's Shirts, Boys' Blouses, Men's Yachting Caps, Ladies' Blouses, and Children's Hats. Prices and descriptions are listed for various items.

Advertisement for Millinery at Less than Half Price. Lists various hats for sale, including Ladies' Hats, Children's Hats, and Straw Hats. Prices are listed for different styles.

Advertisement for J. Sutcliffe & Sons. Features the slogan "Our Loss, Your Gain" and "The Finlay & Chantler Bankrupt - Stock of - BOOTS and SHOES - ON SALE ON - Wednesday, 30th, at the Old Stand".

Advertisement for Blackhurst The Shoe Man. Lists various styles of shoes for sale, including Men's Strong Working Boots, Women's Dongola Oxfords, and Women's Glove Grain Boots. Prices and descriptions are provided.

Advertisement for Horse Exchange. Features an illustration of a horse and text describing the exchange of horses. Includes the name J. J. Lindsay, Proprietor.

Advertisement for J. J. Lindsay, Proprietor. Promotes a "Sale Stable" and "BROS. LIVERY" services. Text includes "A Sale Stable will be opened opposite LINDSAY BROS. LIVERY. Horses of all Classes will be bought and sold." and "On Monday, July 28th".

Vertical text on the right edge of the page, including "HAPPENINGS AT" and "REMOVAL". Contains various short notices and news items.