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## Opponents of Filtering By-Law have an Innings

Mr. R. M. Beal Voices His Objections at Some Length— Replies by Chairman Flavelle, Mayor Vrooman, Mr. Thomas Stewart and others

By the dim light of coal oil lamps borrowed from the neighborhood the water filtration by-law was threshed out in the East ward schoolhouse on Friday evening last. Mr. R. M. Beal who, it is well known, opposes the by-law, was the chief speaker against it, and he evidently convinced himself, if no others, that the Scugog was not the proper source from which to draw water for Lindsay. Without any attempt to do him an injustice, it may very properly be questioned whether he succeeded in convincing any person present that his alternative, artesian wells, would prove adequate. Mr. R. D. Flavelle, chairman of the Water Commission, was the principal speaker on behalf of the by-law.

The attendance was not large, some twenty or thirty being present. Mr. Jos. Staples was chosen chairman, but declined to act, unless he were given an opportunity to speak against the by-law. When assured that he would not be hampered he consented, and discharged his duties with fairness.

Mr. Staples, in voicing his reasons against the scheme, expressed the opinion that \$20,000 would not be sufficient to build the filtration plant. He also thought that the water should be obtained from a better source. The scheme was not fair, he considered, to three-fourths of the citizens who had a good supply of their own. Spring wells were quite numerous in Lindsay. He did not drink much water probably not a gallon in a year. He could not drink Toronto water, and there were people who could not relish Scugog water no matter how it was filtered.

Mr. R. M. Beal started out by stating that when he had asked the Commission at the meeting in the Council Chamber why they had raised the rates he was told that they were lower than any other place in Ontario. This was not a proper answer. If a man put \$100,000 into a business he expected to get a living out of it. We were paying \$3,200 for water we used for the town and from 35 to 50 per cent. higher rates than formerly. This looked to him like paying 62 for a \$1 job. There was, he claimed, a promise that when the town took over the plant there would be a revenue payable to the town, and that the rates would not be increased. There had been \$75,000 paid for the plant, \$14,000 since, \$21,385, for water used by the town in six and a half years, and there was an overdraft of at least \$2,000. This represented \$112,385. Then there was the question of depreciation some said it ought to be 7 per cent. annually, others 5. Take it at 4. It meant \$19,500 to be wiped out, and yet they want us to put \$40,000 or \$45,000 in a mudhole. The Watchman-Warder had said the opinion of the man on the street should not be accepted, but, declared the speaker, if we go into this scheme and some others, we may all be on the street. Mr. Weston's estimate was made two

years ago at \$20,000. With the increased cost of labor and material it would cost \$26,000 or \$27,000.

Dr. Hodgetts (Mr. Hodgetts, Mr. Beal persisted in calling him) disagreed with Mr. Weston as to what the population of Lindsay would be in 1920. If we could not do better than Mr. Weston estimated we had better sell out. We ought to have 20,000 or 25,000 by that time. The plant would need to be 50 per cent. larger than Mr. Weston calculated. Then the cost was always larger than estimated even for what was undertaken, and in the end we would only have Scugog water.

Mr. Beal then quoted from the report of Mr. Weston as to what Scugog water is in its natural state, based on the authority of Dr. Amyot, Provincial bacteriologist. Dr. Amyot would probably not have been surprised, said the speaker, if he had seen bacteria as big as a muscalonge in the water. Mr. Weston probably stood at the Benson House, and thought all that he could not see from that point was an impenetrable forest. The watershed of the Scugog covered hundreds of square miles. There was a town at the other end which had been pouring stuff into it for years. Then horses had broken through the ice and disappeared. Dr. Hodgetts spoke of exercising careful supervision of the sources of the Scugog, but how were Port Perry, Janetville, and other places to be prevented from pouring stuff in.

Mr. Beal went on to say that filtration was yet in its experimental stage. Toronto was spending \$300,000 to tunnel into Lake Ontario and would probably go to a million. He read a letter from the city engineer of Chicago showing that the water was taken from Lake Michigan through tunnels extending out from two to four miles terminating in cisterns. In 1867 the first tunnel had been completed. The total cost of the present system was ten millions, and it would ultimately cost \$75,000,000. This was being done, said Mr. Beal, to get away from stuff not as bad as in the canal here. He had written to Dr. Sheard, Medical Health Officer, Toronto, who did not think water from Toronto bay fit to drink, even if it were filtered. Dr. Hodgetts asserted that in West Philadelphia 95 to 98 per cent. of purification of the very bad water of the Schuylkill had been obtained by slow filtration. Here the speaker quoted from an article in the Peterborough Examiner to the effect that Peterborough was wise in not installing a filtering plant because that it was asserted that there was an increase of typhoid fever in Philadelphia recently. It appeared from this article that the people had depended on filtering and ceased to boil the water. The failure of Washington slow filtration plant had been attributed by Dr. Hodgetts to defects in construction as to aeration as it was one of the first installed. This plant, Mr. Beal said, was not installed till 1905. In this connection he quoted an article from the Globe commenting on the fact that after spending \$3,000,000 on a filtration plant that the deaths from typhoid in 1906 were as high as in 1905, and higher than the average for the preceding ten years. The Engineering News had published a statement that after examination the filtering plant was found to be doing its work well, and that there were probably other causes.

Mr. Beal then read some comments, whether his own or of other people's, did not appear very clearly, to show that the experts were always disposed to find causes of typhoid in other unsanitary conditions than those of the water supply when the efficacy of filtering plants was called in question.

Dr. Hodgetts had stated that artesian wells were a failure. Mr. Beal had received a letter from the Superintendent of Berlin water works under date of November 22, which said the system was generally used and the source of supply artesian wells. He had written since and was informed that the scarcity was not so much due to failure in supply as to increase in consumption. There were 300 new users. In Galt on the banks of the Grand River a stream of considerable size there was a general system and 1800 water takers, source artesian wells. The water ran into a basin, was pumped thence to a standpipe and no filter was needed. Under date of December 19, he had another letter from Mr. McCartney, of that town, who admitted that the supply was affected by the well of a manufacturer which went below the town well. The town could not go deeper on account of sulphur. By

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**F. E. BELL,**  
AGENT

pumping direct from the well instead of allowing the natural flow into the basin, sufficient water was now obtained. From Barrie, situated on the banks of a lake with the purest water in the Province or probably in the Dominion, he had a letter from the town clerk stating that they used water from three artesian wells, 180 feet deep, sufficient for domestic and other purposes. The water was pumped into a standpipe. There was good evidence, said Mr. Beal, in conclusion, in favor of artesian wells when towns by the sides of a lake or large river adopted the wells.

Mr. J. D. Flavelle, chairman of the Water Commission, largely went over, as he promised, the same ground as he did at the first meeting. Therefore much of what he said is omitted. He agreed with many of Mr. Beal's statements, but disagreed with that gentleman's conclusions. He gave Mr. Beal credit for always having the courage of his convictions. Referring to the chairman's statement that the water was utterly unfit for use, and could not be purified, Mr. Flavelle repeated a statement made at the first meeting that none of us know of our own knowledge whether it can or not. Common opinions are not based on any scientific knowledge to which we must look, and scientists and experts say the water can be purified. There was no comparison between Scugog water and Toronto bay water. Dr. Sheard, Medical Health Officer of that city, had advised the filtering of the water from Lake Ontario. He had also said that after 50 per cent. of the bacteria were removed by septic tanks 45 per cent. more could be removed by filtration.

Mr. Flavelle disclaimed having said the Lindsay water rates were lower than any other towns in Ontario. What he had said was that they were as low as in the majority of towns. No statement had been issued by the Water Commissioners that the rates would be raised or lowered when the waterworks were taken over by the town. They thought the meter rates should be raised which was done. Of eighteen who changed this year there were only four who were not getting lower than the flat rates they previously paid. Two of those raised were himself and Mr. R. M. Beal. Mr. Flavelle recalled the addition of a pipe across the river, and nine new hydrants without additional expense to the town. It took \$1,100 a year to pay outstanding debentures. It would take \$1,537 a year to pay the principal and interest of the proposed expenditure of \$20,000, a total annual charge of \$2,600, while there was a surplus of \$3,300 to pay out of. It was reasonable to expect an increased revenue, more so if we could give a good water.

That we were travelling on the thin edge of danger was shown by the fact that out of five samples sent to the Provincial bacteriologist at Toronto for analysis, two were pronounced bad. It was not advisable to go on until we woke up with an epidemic of typhoid fever. Mr. Weston, Dr. Amyot and Dr. Hodgetts all warned against this danger, and all said it could be removed by slow filtration. Dr. Amyot had stated to the speaker that only 65 per cent. of the bacteria could be expelled by rapid filtration, such as that at Chatham, while there was no doubt that 95 to 98 per cent. could be removed by slow filtration. The Commissioners felt perfectly safe in coming and asking what was only a guarantee of credit. Dr. Hodgetts had satisfactorily explained the cause of failure of the Washington plant. It had occurred to the speaker, though this was only a personal opinion, that, as Philadelphia had been one of the most corrupt cities in the United States, outdoing Tammany, that in the building of the filtration plant there was graft which would easily account for its being improperly built. Almost every city and town in the old country was using slow sand filter systems and we would be foolish not to eliminate the dangerous elements from the water if we could.

In Peterborough the city was charged \$1,500 a year for the water used for street sprinkling while here it was free. Some thought that the \$20,000 would not be needed and that the surplus would be used for other purposes than providing filtration. It was expressly provided in the by-law that it could not be used for any other purpose.

Mr. Staples asked if there was any other reason for using the town water for drinking purposes.

Mr. Flavelle replied that the Com-

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To all our Friends and Customers we send greeting, with our best wishes for their health and prosperity. New Years Days are the mile posts in life's journey, and as we pass them year by year, we always see the circle of our friends and patrons greatly enlarged. This is as it should be and the fact affords us pleasure. We would, at this time, suggest TWO RESOLUTIONS. On the part of our FRIENDS we suggest that each and every one resolve to continue favoring us with their patronage, as evidence of their appreciation of our efforts to please. For OUR OWN part, we will resolve to redouble our energy and strive to deserve that patronage more than ever during the coming year. Both good resolutions, aren't they?

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missioners thought so. He differed entirely with Mr. Staples as to well water. Of five samples sent by Mr. Douglas, Sanitary Inspector, for analysis, only one was pronounced fit to drink. The sample from a well which Mr. Douglas regarded as especially good before analysis was pronounced entirely bad. Water might be clear and sparkling and be very impure. There was no truth in the report that the Commissioners intended to close up wells. They had no power except under the "Public Act which provided for the closing of any polluted well. Many of them, he

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