A. Higinbotham.

# THE FARMERS

of this county will get plenty of good weather before long. Our Turnip, Mangold, Millet, Rape and other seeds will be needed this year just the same as other years Fresh ground OIL CAKE and MANHATTAN CATTLE FOOD just to hand—the latter 5c per pound.

A. Higinbotham,
DRUGGIST

*New Advertisements This Week.*

Houses For Sale—James Keith.
The Farmers—A. Higinbotham.
Farm For Sale—Mrs. Edward Tully.
Do You Want the Best? M. J. Carter.
For Sale or To Let - Mrs. Thos. Keenan.
Upper Lake Fleet - Canadian Pacific Railway.
We Don't Know What They Say—Britton Bros.
Boys' Ready-to-Wear Reliable Clothing—Dundas & Flavelle Bros.

The Canadian Post.

LINDSAY, FRIDAY, MAY 7, 1897.

# Hear Anything Drop?

## Council Sat Four Hours Last Monday Evening.

## A WINDY SESSION.

### Time no Object When the Ratepayers are Present.

### THE CITIZENS' BAND TROUBLE.

**Board of Works Estimates to be Pruned by the Finance Committee—The Town Wharf to be Extended and Peel-st. Approach Widened—Communications, Reports and Other Matters Briefly Discussed.**

**That patience under suffering is one of the virtues of our people was most strikingly illustrated at Monday evening's session of the council. The body of the chamber was packed with citizens anxious to hear the board of works report and the expected discussion re band affairs, but there was a surprise in store for them—enthralled by the wit and eloquence of their representatives, the hands of the clock indicated almost half after eleven before they succeeded in tearing themselves away. Many were the matters discussed, and often were the rules transgressed, to the evident enjoyment of the audience.**

The members present were Mayor Smyth, Reeve Touchburn, Dep.-reeves Gilliogly and Robson, and Couns. Sootheran, Graham, Mallon, Pedlar, Baldwin, Killaby, Burrows and Bryans; absent, Cour. Horn.

The minutes of last meeting were read by the clerk, whereupon a long discussion ensued regarding a motion concerning the insurance deal. Mayor Smyth pointed out that as entered the motion differed from the one passed. The members who were in favor of Mr. Knowlson retaining the insurance feared that a trap had been laid by them, and objected to any change being made. It was finally moved by Coun. Sootheran, seconded by Dr. Burrows, that the confirmation of the minutes be deferred, but an amendment that they be adopted, moved by Couns Mallon and Killaby, was carried, and the incident closed.

COMMUNICATIONS.

Under the heading of unfinished business, an application from Mrs. Foster and Miss Adams for refund of $10 paid as water rate in 1896 was discussed. Coun. Touchburn pointed out that they were entitled to the refund under council procedure.—Referred to town property committee.

From Wm. Grace, applying for a reduction of taxes on an unoccupied store, as provided by by-law.—Finance committee.

From Jas. Wilson, relative to a previous request for damages owing to his wife having broken her leg by falling on a defective sidewalk. At the request of friends he had withdrawn his action against the town, and was willing to make an amicable arrangement.....Coun. Burrows said he and other doctors could testify to the injury, and he thought the council should settle with Mr. Wilson in some way.—Referred to joint meeting of board of works and finance committee.

From R. J. McLaughlin, returning cheque for $12 sent him in settlement of his claim for $20 for arranging a town investment. He was entitled to one per cent., but had only charged half of one per cent.....Coun. Sootheran—"Send it to the town solicitor, as he said $12 was sufficient." Coun. Burrows—"Let the finance committee pay it." Coun. Mallon "If it goes to the solicitor we'll have to pay $20 more".....A motion was finally carried that the account be paid.

From J. Blevins, city clerk, Toronto, relative to proposed increase of rates by Bell Telephone Co.—Fyled.

From E. Eagleson, secretary of the Citizens' band, asking for a grant of $200 under the conditions of the band by-law, in return for which they would give one open air concert each week during the season. The request was supported by a petition signed by almost all of the prominent business men on Kent-st. Accompanying the communication was the draft of an offer to the Harmony band to amalgamate, which had been refused by the latter organization.—Laid on table.

From W. Robbins, secretary of the Canadian Fire Underwriters' Association, asking for definite information as to what steps the council are taking to remedy deficiencies in the fire apparatus.—Laid on table.

From Bruce McBurney, withdrawing tender submitted at last meeting for a fire alarm system, and submitting two new offers—$380 for a 10 box system, and $512.50 for a 15 box system.—Town property committee.

From Dr. W. L. Herriman, secretary of Children's Aid Society, relative to the Pitcher child.—Fyled.

From Wm. Deyell, re field stone.—Fyled.

From Thos. Sadler, Thos. Walters, and other residents of Kidout-st., asking for the extension of walk on north side.—Board of works.

From town engineer of Barrie, enclosing information concerning cost of granolithic walks and improved roadways. The documents were read by Dr. Burrows, and at his request were referred to the board of works.

Mayor Smyth referred to a communication signed "Ratepayer," a copy of which had been sent him and other members of council. Certain charges were made therein, but it would be impossible to notice them owing to the anonymous nature of the communication.

From Mr. G. H. Hopkins, on behalf of Chas. King, requesting a remission of taxes on store formerly occupied by Wm. Howe, which had been unoccupied for almost a year.—Finance committee.

A BATCH OF ACCOUNTS.

The following claims were read by the clerk:

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| N H Cowdry, oats | $ 5 30 |
| F K Begbie | 2 15 |
| " metallic circuit | 9 08 |
| Ottawa deputation | 99 20 |
| Jos Wilson, ringing curfew bell | 9 00 |
| Sam Hughes, printing | 6 50 |
| G W Mills, charity order | 1 22 |
| Rathbun Co., " | 7 75 |

On motion the accounts were referred to the respective committees to which they belonged.

HOME FOR THE AGED.

Mrs. Whiteside, treasurer for the Home, submitted a statement for the past three months, showing: Receipts, $312.09; expenditures, $205 53; balance on hand, $107.56.—Received and fyled.

THE POLICE RETURNS.

Chief Bell's report for April gave $82 55 as the amount turned into the treasury as the result of fines and licenses collected.—Police committee.

MARKET RECEIPTS.

Market Clerk Callaghan's receipts for April were: weigh fees, $43.78, tolls, $8.96; total, $52 71.—Received and fyled.

THE TOWN ACCOUNTS.

Auditor Eagleson submitted a report covering from 1st Jan. to April 30th. The accounts had been found correct with the exception of a slight omission which would be corrected next month. The report also outlined a desirable change in the method of keeping the accounts, and called attention to the neglect of Rule No. 75, demanding the signatures of the mayor and chairman of finance.—The report was referred to the finance committee.

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS.

Treasurer Knowlson submitted a statement covering the period from 1st Jan to 30th April. The receipts were, $17,166.03, expenditures, $14,792.26; balance on hand, $2 373.77.—Referred to finance committee.

DESERVED ASSISTANCE.

Mayor Smyth referred to the case of Miss Brooks, who had been sent to Peterboro hospital to have an operation performed for spinal disease. The charge incurred was $2.80 per week.

SEWERAGE MATTERS.

Coun. Sootheran, chairman, read the following report of the proceedings at a joint meeting of the board of works and finance committee to consider a communication from the board of health re sewerage:

At a joint meeting of the finance and board of works committees, held in the clerk's office on Saturday evening, the 1st inst., to whom was referred the report of the board of health for consideration, your committee beg leave to report:

1. That they cannot see their way clear to recommend the council to take up the matter of sewerage at present, that is, if the expense is to be borne by the general rate of taxation, but if the property owners on any street are desirous of adopting the local improvement plan, and choose to construct a sewer in accordance with, and subject to, the Chipman plan, under the Local Improvement act, your committee, while not favorable to the adoption of the local improvement plan, beg leave to recommend that any petition coming from property owners asking for a sewer, be received and considered on its merits, and if satisfactory, to pass a by-law to meet the necessary requirements.

2. Your committee observe, by the remarks of the chairman of the board of health at a recent meeting in reference to sewerage and drainage, "that valuable time has been lost in taking this matter up," and also imply ng that the present council has been derelict of its duty in that respect.

3 Your committee beg leave to point out that the delay complained of was occasioned by an error in the proceedings of the board of health; when presenting the annual report of its chairman and the M.H.O. to this council it omitted to confirm either reports and as a consequence both reports had to be returned to the board for its approval or otherwise, as they might decide. This omission on the part of the board caused a full months delay, and in the meantime the spring freshets began and the water in the river had risen to such an extent as to prevent the work being commenced.

The report was on motion adopted.

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Coun. Sootheran, chairman, presented the following report:

Your finance committee met in the clerk's office at 7.30 p m. on April 30th, at call of chairman; members present Mayor Smyth, Reeve Touchburn, Dep.-reeve Gillogly, Coun. Bryans, Pedlar and Sootheran, the latter in the chair.

The following accounts were considered and found correct:

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| Victoria Warder | $18 05 |
| Mrs Southorn, nursing | 27 70 |
| Sadler, Dundas & Flavelle Co | 1 50 |
| Alex Fisher | 1 05 |
| J L Shannon | 43 |
| W A Jewett | 3 00 |
| Geo. Walker | 1 00 |
| D McGillivry, (contra acct) | 2 50 |
| A Higinbotham | 3 60 |
| Jos Wilson | 4 50 |
| R Hudson | 19 00 |
| Light, Heat and Power Co | 158 73 |
| R Touchburn | 5 00 |
| A Cullon | 2 25 |

Moved by Coun. Pedlar, seconded by Mayor Smyth, that the above accounts having been examined and found correct, your committee beg leave to recommend them for payment.—Carried.

Dr. Burrows again objected to the council paying fancy prices to nurses—$5 or $6 per week should be sufficient.

Mayor Smyth—"The board of health incurred the expense."

Coun. Burrows—"Its a snap for the board to arrange and let us pay the bill."

Coun. Pedlar—"Can't we pass a by law regulating the payment to nurses in such cases as he did some years ago in the case of undertakers?"

Coun. Burrows—"Of course we can; I'll make the figure $8 per week to be fair."

Coun. Sootheran—"I would prefer to see it $6."

Further consideration of the matter was deferred, and the report was adopted.

REPORT OF THE TOWN PROPERTY COMMITTEE.

Dep.-reeve Robson, chairman, read the report, which was as follows:

Your committee met in the clerk's office at 7.30 p.m. on April 28th at the call of the chairman. Members present, Mayor Smyth, Dep.-reeve Robson, Couns. Burrows and Graham.

Moved by Coun. Graham, seconded by Coun. Burrows, that Mr. John Wardrobe be granted permission by the committee to proceed with the erection of his balcony.—Carried

Moved by Coun. Graham, seconded by Coun. Burrows that the motion re drinking fountains be held over till next committee meeting, and that the mover and seconder (Dep.-reeve Gillogly and Coun. Baldwin), and the chairman be a committee to get a suitable design and cost price of the same.—Carried.

Re Mr. McCarthy's communication respecting wish to sell his building known as the Home for the Aged, after due consideration your committee decided to take no action at present.

Moved by Coun. Burrows, seconded by Coun. Graham, that the committee recommend the erection of a close board fence of planed and matched lumber, to be built five feet high across the north end and half way across the east side, on the market square west of the town hall buildings.—Carried.

Moved by Coun. Burrows seconded by Coun. Graham, that the accounts of Mr. Geo. Walker and Mr. McGillivery, being properly certified to, be recommended for payment.—Carried

Your committee received a note from Mr. R. J. Matchett stating that he wished to withdraw his name from the offer made by Mr. B McBurney and himself in connection with a fire alarm system for this town, which was granted.

Coun. Burrows objected to the closing up of the park lot—the town had a pig pen on the square that should be placed in a sanitary condition, but it would be unjust to erect a fence and shut off Mr. Sinclair's view; the council should consider his claim by right of possession. To remedy the trouble he suggested that a right of way, 20 feet wide, running east to Kent-st., be provided.

Coun. Sootheran said that as a rule he did not oppose reports from committees but would have to in the case referred to. Mr. Sinclair was a manufacturer and a large employer of labor, and while he had no right to the passage by possession or otherwise, he thought the council should not shut him in, but lease him the roadway at a nominal rental.

Chairman Robson said he had explained the matter fully to Mr. Sinclair, who said he was quite willing to have the fence placed where he (Robson) had designated. Coun. Burrows had been at the meeting of the committee and had made no objection then. What on earth was the use of discussing matters in committee and writing out reports if they were to be changed in council?

Dr. Burrows again rose to speak, but Dep.-reeve Gillogly objected, saying that the Dr. had already spoken half a dozen times to each motion that had been made—he (Dep.-reeve Gillogley) had a long report to present and the council's time should not be wasted. "We all know the Dr. is eloquent, but we want to do some work," concluded the matter-of-fact reeve.

Reeve Touchburn thought the proposal to dispense with the fence was a mistake—if they wished to lower it, all right, but it would be perfectly useless to try to do anything in the way of improving the plot till a fence had been built to protect it.

Dep.-reeve Robson said he had consulted Mr. Sinclair a second time, who told him he was being bothered by councillors with all kinds of stories as to the council's intentions. And the speaker locked severely at Dr. Burrows as he made the statement.

A motion to amend the report by striking out the fence clause was then put and carried by a majority of one vote.

REPORT OF THE POLICE COMMITTEE.

Coun. Pedlar, chairman, presented the report, which read as follows:

Your committee on police and lighting met in the clerk's office. Members present, Mayor Smyth, Messrs Graham, Horn, Burrows, Baldwin and Pedlar.

Coun. Horn's motion instructing committee to ascertain from the Lindsay Electric Light Co. their best terms for a new contract, was taken into consideration, and your committee will probably be in a position to report definitely at the next meeting of council.

Mr. Mallon's motion to appoint a man to look after the street lights was considered. It was moved by Coun. Burrows, seconded by Coun. Baldwin, that this committee committee consider this an unnecessary expense, and we recommend that the night watchman be instructed to do this work.—Carried.

The account of Jos Wilson for $4.50, services as constable, was examined and recommended to the finance committee for payment.

The account of the Light, Heat & Power Co. for March was referred to the finance committee for audit.

The report of the chief constable for March was examined and found correct.

Coun. Mallon asked what steps were intended to be taken to have the lighting properly looked after.

Coun. Baldwin—"Citizens will report to the night watchman, who will also look after them."

Coun. Mallon—"If Coun. Sootheran's new by-law will include that as part of the night constable's duties, I'll be satisfied."

Coun. Sootheran—"It will."

The reported was then adopted.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF WORKS COMMITTEE.

Dep.-reeve Gillogly, chairman, then read the following lengthy statement of the improvements to be made in the wards:

*East Ward.*

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| King st, east of St Paul, 20 rods, 4 ft walk new plank $2 | $ 50 00 |
| King-st, cedar crossing at J R O'Neill's corner | 5 00 |
| 60 ft plank for drain at same place | 30 |
| Culvert at old paper mill | 5 00 |
| Cleaning ditch corner Logie and Russell-st | 50 |
| Russell-st east of RR. 2 plank walk | 4 00 |
| Walk to D Hudson's from RR | 5 00 |
| Crossing at J Shannon's | 2 00 |
| Repairing three crossings corner St David and Queen-sts | 6 00 |
| 35 rods 3 ft walk, old plank, on St George-st N of Queen | 49 00 |
| St David-st south of Colborne, grading | 5 00 |
| Crossing St David and Colborne | 3 00 |
| 39 rods 2 ft walk, old plank, on Queen st | 42 00 |
| 8 rods tile 4 inch for Mr J Staples | 4 00 |
| Crossing at King and St Paul | 5 00 |
| Crossing at Queen-st church | 3 00 |
| 8 rds on Queen-st, south side east of RR | 6 00 |
| Crossing at corner Queen and Lindsay-sts | 5 00 |
| 23 rods on St Paul-st N of Queen, new, 3 ft w Stone and gravel on King and Queen-sts | 51 75 |
| John st, repairs north side | 100 00 |
| St Patrick st, raising bridge | 5 00 |
| Culvert corner St Patrick and Colborne | 5 00 |
| Crossing Colborne and St Paul sts | 5 00 |
| Deepening ditch north side St Paul st | 2 00 |
| Raising sidewalk Lindsay-st, west side north of Wellington | 5 00 |
| Two crossings and culvert at corner Lindsay and Queen sts | 15 00 |
| Moving sidewalk on Caroline-st | 10 00 |
| Moving sidewalk on Queen, opposite Cullon's | 2 50 |
| Bertie-st, 4 rds tile and drain | 5 00 |
| | $ 411 25 |

*South Ward.*

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| St Lawrence-st, from Ridout to Russell st repairing walk | $ 12 60 |
| Huron-st, west side fr m Ridout to Russell | 18 60 |
| Simcoe-st, from Ridout to Ru sell, grading | 4 00 |
| " " " 3 ft walk 25 rods east side | 35 00 |
| Ridout from Huron to Simcoe, S side 24 rods | 33 40 |
| E st end Ridout, north side, 30 rods | 42 00 |
| Russell st, east of Water, 22 rds 3 ft walk old | 31 00 |
| Cleaning ditch at same place | 2 00 |
| Crossing corner Georgian and Russell | 10 00 |
| 25 rds west side Water-st, Russell to Glenelg 3 ft o p | 35 00 |
| Georgian-st, east side, 35 rds, from Glenelg to Durham | 50 00 |
| Durham-st, east of Simcoe, north side 2 plk | 5 00 |
| Corner Durham and St Lawrence, grading | 5 00 |
| Durham-st, east of S Lawrence, N side 10 rds | 14 00 |
| " west " 5 rds | 7 40 |
| Corner Melbourne and St Lawrence, crossing | 5 00 |
| Moving walk on Melbourne W of St Lawrence | 2 00 |
| Glenelg west of St Lawrence, moving walk, south side | 5 00 |
| Crossing at Glenelg at St Lawrence west side | 5 00 |
| Corner Huron and Glenelg, 2 rods | 3 00 |
| Grading and gravel from Lindsay-st to St Lawrence-st | 25 00 |
| Melbourne east of Lindsay to Mill, grading and stone | 5 00 |
| Lindsay-st, west side, 4 ft walk, new plank, 4 block | 312 00 |
| Lindsay-st, stone and gravel | 50 00 |
| Durham-st, east and west of William, grading | 10 00 |
| James-st, south of RR, east side, 5 rds old | 3 00 |
| " north " " | 7 20 |
| Hamilton-st, south, two culverts | 12 00 |
| Bank up on both sides of George-st | 1 00 |
| Hamilton-st, east side, south of track, old, 3 ft walk 15 rds | 21 00 |
| Melbourne st, west end, north side, box drain, 42 | 40 00 |
| Melbourne-st, west end, north side, 3 ft walk old plank, 40 | 56 00 |
| Adelaide, south of Durham 24 rds 3 ft old | 33 60 |
| Culvert enlarged at cor Albert and Russell | 8 00 |
| Grading on Glenelg east of Sussex | 5 00 |
| Cor Glenelg and Victoria av, stone and gravel | 20 00 |
| Victoria ave, south of Kent, stone and gravel | 20 00 |
| Stone and gravel west of RR on Russell | 10 00 |
| Russell-st, east of Victoria ave, north side, 12 rds new plank | 27 00 |
| Russell-st, east of Victoria ave, north side move out 13 rods | 4 00 |
| Cambridge-st, from Glenelg to Kent, stone, gravel, crossing | 25 00 |
| Durham st, west of Lindsay, 10 rds S side | 14 00 |
| Russell-st, east of William n, grading and tile | 20 00 |
| William st south of Russell, to station, 5 ft walk, 80 rds | 216 60 |
| Crossing corner Glenelg and Lindsay | 8 00 |
| Russell-st, west of Lindsay, 600 ft in centre of road 4 inch tile | 25 00 |
| Cambridge-st, south of Kent, west side, 10 rds new plank 4 ft | 22 50 |
| | $1,324 10 |

*North Ward.*

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| Cutting down hill to Parkin mill | $ 20 00 |
| Kent-st, west of Creekat Sylvester's, grading, tile and stone | 100 00 |
| Grading on Albert north of Kent | 10 00 |
| From Collegiate Institute to Albert-n, north side, 36 rds 4 inch tile and grading | 20 00 |
| Culvert on Sussex, south of Kent | 10 00 |
| Moving sidewalk in front of fair ground | 2 00 |
| Grading on Wellington-st, between Adelaide and Albert | 15 00 |
| Stone on Albert-st, between Peel and Wellington | 10 00 |
| Albert-t, north of Wellington tile on west side and moving and building sidewalk 3 ft old plank | 40 00 |
| Colborne st, repairs, stone, gravel, grading, etc, west of court house | 85 00 |
| Albert-st, north of Colborne, grading | 5 00 |
| Culvert over Colborne on Adelaide | 12 00 |
| Crossing same place | 2 00 |
| Grading and gravel on Adelaide, north of Colborne | 15 00 |
| 2 ft walk on Adelaide, north of Elgin E side | 15 00 |
| Elgin-st, west of Albert, grading | 8 00 |
| Regent-st, west of Albert 15 rds 4 ft walk o p | 21 00 |
| Colborne st, east of Victoria ave, 20 rds 4 ft walk, new plank | 50 00 |
| Victoria ave, south of Francis-st, east side | 33 00 |
| Bond st, east of Victoria ave | 5 00 |
| Culvert at cor Wellington and Cambridge | 15 00 |
| Grading Wellington west of Cambridge | 5 00 |
| Tile at same place | 2 00 |
| Walk south side of Waverley ave, 22 rds 3½ ft old plank | 30 00 |
| Francis st, west of Victoria ave, 20 rds, 3 ft old | 28 00 |
| Regent-st, west of Victoria ave, 16 rds old | 22 50 |
| Culvert cor Regent and Pottinger | 2 00 |
| William-st, 26 rds 4 ft n w west side, north of Regent st, and two crossings | 75 00 |
| 24 rds 3½ ft old, west of William, north side R-gent | 33 60 |
| Walk at east end of Regent st | 2 00 |
| William-st, north of Bond to Regent, draining, stone | 30 00 |
| Ditching at cor Bond and Wm st | 2 00 |
| Bond-st, west of Cambridge-st, gravel | 5 00 |
| Bond-st, east of Cambridge, tile and labor | 15 00 |
| Cambridge-st, east side north of Kent, 96 rds | 240 00 |
| Culvert at end of Wellington-st sewer | 15 00 |
| York-st, north of Kent, to Gunigal's dwelling 15 rods | 21 00 |
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Coun. Sootheran—"May I ask if the committee has made any provision for a contingency fund?"

Reeve Touchburn replied that it would be unusual to make an allowance for contingencies so early—that could best be done later at a joint meeting of the board of works and the finance committee.

Dr. Burrows—"I move that we adjourn."

Coun. Sootheran—"It's not yet 10.30, Dr.; I would like to have the report referred to the finance committee. Councillors know that the assessment of the town has been lowered considerably, and if possible I would like to see the board of works confine their expenditure this year to $3,500."

Reeve Touchburn said it was nonsense to think of such a thing—seven members of the council had made a careful inspection of the streets and walks, and nothing that was not absolutely necessary had been recommended. The committee should be allowed to proceed with their work at once—that would not prevent the council from limiting the expenditure to a certain sum if deemed necessary. If further delay took place in the construction of walks men would have to be set at work patching, as there were many dangerous holes. He was entirely opposed to cheeseparing along the line indicated to effect a saving of $500 or $800, as the work recommended was absolutely necessary—every dollar of it. If the carefully prepared report of the board had to be referred back to the finance committee, or a committee of the whole, it would be better far to abolish the present system of inspection and have the whole council do the work. There was another point to be considered—a great deal of grading would have to be done, and in the present condition of the soil a man and team could do as much work in one day as in two days later on when the soil became baked.

Coun. Sootheran said he was willing that the board should go ahead with necessary work till next meeting, two weeks from date. According to the rules it was part of the finance committee's duties to report upon all estimates.

Chairman Gillogly expressed himself as satisfied to have the report go to the committee provided he could proceed with the work, and the matter was so arranged.

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT.

Chairman Gillogly read a second report dealing with the tenders for stone and plank, already printed in The Post. The board recommended the purchase of four cords of stone from each of the 27 tenderers, at the price of $2.15 per cord.

The usual remuneration of $2 per day for three days' work examining the streets and walks was recommended to be paid the members of the board.

The concluding paragraph referred to the liability of accidents owing to bicyclists riding on the walks, injury being avoided more by the agility of citizens than the exercise of good sense and care on the part of the riders. The by-law should be enforced.

Coun. Sootheran, referring to the bicycle trouble, said he had been given to understand that the members of the Bicycle Club intended to deal with it at their next meeting. The bicycle riders—most of them—were really the very nicest people in the town, and he would be pleased if some arrangement could be made to allow them the use of the walks in moderation. Now that the roads were becoming good there would be less trouble.

Chairman Gillogly said the clause had been inserted more as a reminder than as a menace.

Coun. Sootheran said the matter might be left till next meeting to see what course the club would take. In the meantime the police should be instructed to take action against anyone found riding on Kent-st. walks between the market and Britton's corner.

Reeve Touchburn said the council would make a mistake in leaving the cure of the trouble to the bicycle club—the members had no authority to deal with offending riders, and if a serious accident occurred the council would be held responsible for damages.

Dep.-reeve Gillogly—"There's a by-law, and I am simply asking its enforcement. At a recent meeting of the club even Mr. Wm. Flavelle, who had asked for the concession last year, said he did not think it wise to press for permission to use the walks this season."

Moved in amendment by Coun. Sootheran, seconded by Coun. Burrows, that the clause relating to bicycle riders be struck out.—Lost.

Coun. Sootheran then took exception to the matter having been reported upon by the committee without instructions to do so.

Coun. Mallon remarked that if Chairman Gillogly was wrong in that matter he wanted to know where Coun. Sootheran got authority to fetch in a report dealing with the town insurance when the matter had never been referred to his committee.

Coun. Sootheran explained that he was being blamed unjustly in connection with the insurance; Dep.-reeve Robson was chairman of the town property committee and he (Sootheran) had opposed the transfer of the insurance in committee, but had supported it in council.

Reeve Touchburn maintained that Chairman Gillogly was well within his rights in referring to the bicycle nuisance.

The report was then adopted.

SING AGAIN THE OLD SONG.

Moved by Coun. Sootheran, seconded by Coun. Graham, that the time for the collection of outstanding taxes be further extended to Monday, June 7th.—Carried.

THE TOWN GRAVEL PIT.

Dep.-reeve Robson explained that he had been approached by a number of citizens who were anxious to procure sand and loam from the town pit, and moved, seconded by Reeve Touchburn, that the council rescind the motion prohibiting the sale.

Coun. Burrows did not think the town had been successful dealers in sand and loam—hundreds of loads had been taken without any one counting and the same thing would occur again if they removed the interdict.

Reeve Touchburn stated, somewhat warmly, that Dr. Burrows had made a statement on the strength of street gossip. The agitation had been worked up by Thornhill because he had sand and loam to sell. The loam covering the gravel in the town pit might as well be removed, as it was continually falling back as the gravel was being excavated. If the council had not been paid for what had been previously taken it was the fault of the chairman of the town property committee. The whole trouble had been caused by the jealousy of Thornhill because work was being taken from him.

Dr. Burrows again rose to speak, but Mayor Smyth ruled him out of order.

Coun. Sootheran thought it was not the duty of the council to compete with any citizen in the supply of loam; the town would require large quantities of soil in the near future, and should not part with it.

The motion was referred to the committee for further consideration.

MARKET SQUARE PIG PEN.

Dep.-reeve Robson moved, and Coun. Mallon seconded, a resolution to have the market square piggery placed and kept in a better sanitary condition.—Referred to town property committee.

A GUARANTEE FUND.

Moved by Coun. Sootheran, seconded by Coun. Graham, that the usual guarantee fund of $200 be voted to the South Victoria agricultural society.

Dr. Burrows opposed the motion with considerable vigor, saying it would be simply giving away the money, as there could be no doubt but that it would be called for this year; the society had played large cards in the past, yet even with the presence of the governor-general and other notables they had barely kept even. The affairs of the society were not being managed on a proper basis—men who handled tickets should not handle public money. The thirty or forty servants of the society, counting ticket sellers and takers, policemen, etc., may be honest, but it was possible that some one is not. The same men were appointed to office each year, and the system was a dangerous inefficient. For these and other reasons he felt compelled to oppose the motion.

Coun. Sootheran said it was quite plain that the Dr. should have been made one of the town directors. The town was deeply interested in the success of the Central fair, and he failed to appreciate the risk of the guarantee fund being called for—he was not aware that it had ever been demanded. In his opinion the men at the head of the society were very energetic, and he felt convinced that not a ratepayer on Kent-st. would object to the grant.

The motion was adopted.

AWAY WITH THE GOOSE NECKS.

Moved by Coun. Baldwin, seconded by Dep.-reeve Robson, that this council request the Waterworks Co. to remove the "goose-necks" for street watering at an early date, as water is now being taken from the hydrants.—Carried.

TO IMPROVE THE MARKET.

Moved by Dep.-reeve Robson, seconded by Dep.-reeve Gillogly, that the town property committee consider and report upon the advisability of arranging a stand on the south side of the market in order that sellers may be protected from the north and north-west winds.

Dep.-reeve Robson explained that there was sufficient room for the purpose, and that the cost would be $8 or $10.

The motion carried.

THE BAND TROUBLE.

Moved by Coun. Killaby, seconded by Dep. reeve Gillogly, that the usual grant of $200 be made to the Citizens' band under the conditions of By law No. 747.

In amendment Dr. Burrows moved, seconded by Coun. Bryans, that the grant be not made.

Dr. Burrows rose to speak to the motion, but Dep.-reeve Gillogly appealed to declare him out of order, as the motion had not been read. When the omission had been remedied the Dr. proceeded to urge that no action be taken until the bands amalgamated; the town could not support two bands, and the members of the Harmony band should be treated fairly.

Coun. Sootheran—"If the Harmony band wishes to amalgamate with the Citizens' band they will be welcomed."

Coun. Mallon said he had been interviewed by members of both bands, and had been asked to oppose any grant being made until the bands had arrived at an agreement.

Reeve Touchburn could not go as far as Dr. Burrows—he was in favor of withholding the proposed grant for a short time to see if the bands would not unite. To have a good band there must be a good bandmaster. At next meeting of council he would support the $200 grant to the Citizens' band if the bands had not amalgamated.

Coun. Sootheran asked that Mr. R. Kylie, who had signed the petition, be heard.

Mr. Kylie said that as a citizen he had regretted the division of the band, and had opposed any grant being made till every effort had been exhausted to effect a reconciliation.

Coun. Sootheran referred to the conferences held last year with the Harmony band by Couns. Graham, Killaby and himself, forming the band committee of the council. The members of the Harmony band had promised to unite under certain conditions, and the committee had gone away rejoicing, but the agreement had been broken. He felt that the members of the Harmony band wished to rule the rest; he had talked with a number of the members during the day, and invited them to unite, but if they came they would have to conform to the regulations of the by-law. The grant, if made, would of course be paid to the bandmaster at the rate of $16.50 monthly.

Dr. Burrows said he was willing to leave the matter in abeyance till next meeting two weeks hence.

Dep. reeve Gillogly suggested that Bandmaster Ketchum should be paid his salary in the interval.

Coun. Baldwin failed to see how the council could hope to sustain the Citizens' band in the face of opposition. The Harmony band members started with nothing, purchased their own instruments, and now have money in the treasury.

Coun. Sootheran said he and the mayor and Coun. Killaby would endeavor to smooth away the differences before next meeting right, and the council assented to the effecting being made.

TOWN WHARF IMPROVEMENT.

Coun. Sootheran referred to a proposal made last year to purchase a piece of land from Squire McDonell to enlarge the westerly portion of the town wharf and the roadway thereto. Mr. McDonell had then asked $350, but had since consented to sell the property for $300 if the council would remove the fence. He then moved, seconded by Coun. Pedlar, that the purchase be effected.

Reeve Touchburn pronounced the price to be simply outrageous and the expenditure an unnecessary one; it was proposed to incur it in order to widen a roadway that would be unsafe for drivers even if $300 additional were expended in cutting away the hill. The money would be spent to much better advantage on the streets, where ratepayers would get some value for it.

Mr. Kylie, who was present when the measurements were made, defended the proposed purchase—if in the council he would not hesitate a moment

Coun. Sootheran pointed out that the wharf would have to be extended in that direction, and the council would probably have to erect a storehouse for freight to accommodate the Esturion. The government would likely make a grant to complete the deepening of the river, and the council would have to do its share by providing wharf accommodation.

By consent of the mover and seconder the motion was finally referred to the town property committee with instructions to report thereon.

The council then adjourned to meet again on Monday, May 17th.

### Bicycle Notes.

—Bicyclists will please take note that they are now forbidden to ride on any of the town sidewalks, and can blame half-a-dozen crack-brained riders for loss of the privilege.

—The Orillia Packet gives the following good advice to wheelmen: "Don't carry a child on a baby carrier unless the child is borrowed or you have more children than you need."

—A French cylist named Garaud, a plumber by trade, recently rode around the coping-stone of a house in course of construction for a wager. The coping-stone was barely two feet wide, and was about 50 feet from the ground.

—In Toronto, on Thursday of last week, Mr. Charles Richardson, on a Cleveland bicycle, won the coasting championship from Mr. Alex. Elliott, who has not been beaten on his Gendron in years. This is supposed to be the best test of any easy running wheel. There were others in the competition.

—A bicycle authority says: As a general rule, women sit too far back on their wheels, and as a consequence the power is not applied at a proper angle. By this I do not mean that they should assume a scorcher's position, bending far over the handle bars, but should be seated more nearly over the pedals. In many cases, too, the measurement of the reach is imperfect, and as a result the leg muscles become cramped when too short, and are extended beyond the point of power when too long.

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—Men' All Wool Pants, heavy Tweed, regular price $1.50, sale price $1.00.

—Heavy Linen Collars, 3-ply, stand up and turned down, 3 for 25c.

—Heavy Linen Collars, 4-ply 2½ stand up and long point and cutaway turn down, 2 for 25c.

—Washing Ties in White, Pink, Blue, regular price 10c, sale price 5c.

—Washing Ties in Linen, assorted patterns, regular price 15c for 7c.

—Silk Ties, four-in-hand and knots, regular price 20c, sale price 10c.

—Silk Ties, four-in hand and knots, regular price 25c, sale price 2 for 25c.

—25c Bow Ties 15c. 35c Bow Ties 20c each.

—Men's All Wool Rib Top Sox, 9c pair or 3 for 25c.

—Men's Black Cashmere Sox, regular price 35c sale price 20c.

—Men's Black Cotton Sox, fast color, regular price 15c, sale price 3 for 25c.

—Men's Heavy Braces, regular price 20c, sale price 10c a pair.

—Men's Fine Braces, regular price 25c sale price 15c.

—Men's Fine Braces with drawer supporters and Kid trimmings, regular price 50c, sale price 25c.

—Boy's Braces, regular price 10c, sale price 5c.

—Men's Black Sateen Shirts, regular price 50c, sale price 35c.

—Men's Black Sateen Shirts, regular price 60c, sale price 45c.

—Men's Black Sateen Shirts, extra medium weight, regular price $1.25, for 85c.

—Men's Flannelette Shirts, regular price 25c, for 15c.

—Men's White Laundried Shirts, regular price 50c, for 37c.

—Men's White Laundried Shirts, regular price 75c, for 50c.

—Men's White Laundried Shirts, regular price $1.00, for 69c.

—Men's Dresden Shirts, latest New York patterns, regular price $1.50 for 85c.

—Men's Cambric Shirts, two collars and a pair of cuffs, a few odd sizes to clear at 50c.

—Men's Summer Shirts and Drawers, regular price 30c, sale price 18c.

—Men's Merino Shirts and Drawers, regular price 35c, sale price 20c.

—Men's Balbriggan Shirts and Drawers, double thread, regular price 75c, sale price 40c.

—Men's Balbriggan Shirts and Drawers, double thread, regular price 50c, sale price 32c.