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MONDAY EVENING.

Communications-Interesting Discussion upon Charity Matters-The Joint Committee Recommends Renting the old Mansien House as a Home for the Aged Poor-The Rathbun Mill Hydrant-Why the New Hook and Ladder Wagon is not Used.

A regular meeting of the town fathers was held last evening in the council chamber. All the members were present, and the attendance of a large number of ratepayers indicated that a hint had gone abroad that the proceedings would be somewhat interesting. Lindsay people as a rule take no account of the doings of their municipal representatives unless the street talk leads them to believe that some ntended motion will provoke an acrimon-

After the reading and confirming of the minutes Clerk Knowlson read the follow-

COMMUNICATIONS. From A. Gohean, stating that a drain on

Queen-st., east of St. Patrick-st., had been diverted from its former course, to the damage of his property. -Street and bridge From S. Swanton, asking to be placed

on the assessment roll roll as tenant of the Blackwell residence on Kent-st. west. -Finance committee.

old Mansion house on Victoria avenue to the council as a home for the aged poor at \$15 per month, with privilege of purchas- the time, and the general rate of taxation ng for \$2,000 .- Laid on table.

From Alex. Frame, asking that five double windows be placed on the house rented by him from the town.-Town pro- | company, who sits in the council, said it perty committee, with power to act.

From the secretary of the Central Charty Committee, enclosing report stating that the committee had examined the Mansion house and found it well adapted for the purposes of a home for the aged poor; there would also be room available for the reception of sick persons thrown on the council's harde.

calling attention to the darkness of the just as capable of forming a correct opinhall on many days, caused by the hay-shed | ion as he opposed it—he did not wonder at shutting out the light; also pointing out Coun, Killaby doing so-he was working that the new hook and ladder wagon could for the company and his bread and butter. not be taken to fires, as one team of horses could not do all the work. At present the wagon is stored in such a position that it could only be moved with great difficulty.

Dep -reeve CRANDELL pointed that there were \$600 of the ratepayers' money in the wagon, which was practically useless at present. The blame should rest on the fire and water committee, the chairman of which seemed to hesitate about doing two?" what he knew to be necessary.

Reeve Kylie said it was Mr. Crandell's duty, or the duty of any other member of the council, to make recommendations and have them referred to the committee.

present. CHIEF CONSTABLE'S REPORT.

Chief Bell's report for the month of October stated that fines and licenses to the amount of \$41.65 had been collected .-

Police committee. ACCOUNTS PRESENTED. Light, Heat & Power Co., lighting for Ost., \$ 165 35

THE HOME FOR THE AGED.

committee appointed to examine the old | the mayor or others held that the protec-Mansion house, reported that they had tion of Mr. Rathbun's mill was more im nspected the building, as requested, and portant than saving the dwellings of citipurpose; it contains 25 large-sized rooms, their little homes, then he (Kylie) could not all heated by hot air with the exception | agree with them. Even if the firemen of the kitchen; the cellar is in good con- were able to fly across the river they would dition and is divided into three compartments. The committee had decided to recommend that the building be rented or one year, with the privilege of renewing lease at a rental of \$180 per year and hydrant was practically rescinded.

a suitable tenant. tion as to the number of old people now always would be. receiving aid and what they are costing. A vote was then taken on the amend-The report recommended renting a house | ment to eliminate that portion of the fire with 25 rooms, yet it did not state the and water report declaring against putting number of poor people likely to occupy in the hydrant. Messrs, Crandell, Killaby, the building if rented.

Coun. GRAHAM said that several of the porters. The report was then put and was adies of the Central charity committee declared adopted. had promised to attend and would no doubt give the information needed. In the meantime the report might be allowed | bers of the central charity committee

Reeve KYLIE, chairman, presented the report, which stated that the committee had been called together on Oct. 23rd to consider the placing of a hydrant in the Rathbun Co. yard, and upon investigation had recommended the rescinding of the order given and favored no action in the matter at present. The appointment of a hands of the committee, with the understanding that little extra cost would be

Coun. KILLABY said he would move an amendment that the hydrant asked by the Rathbun firm be granted-they desired no bonus or remission of taxes, and if the town would not at least protect their business from fire it was manifesting a poor spirit towards such an important

Mayor Walters admitted that he was surprised at the action of the committeeat a previous meeting 8 members of the council out of 10 had supported the putting in of a hydrant. He had taken Mr. Begbie down to look over the ground and he had then seemed in favor of putting in the hydrant, but now he opposed it-if there was any chance of securing watertakers he would support it quickly enough. Coun. GRAHAM said the committee had

come to the conclusion, when the ground had been measured, that the mill would be no better protected with one hydrant than it was at present, and Mr. Begbie was of the same opinion. Of course another hydrant would increase the safety of the stock in the yards, but the hydrant had not been demanded with that object. Even if the council put in two hydrants at a cost of \$90 per year the reduction on Mr. Rathburn's mill insurance would be but one quarter per cent., or \$10 on an assessment of \$4,000. He had also learned from the underwriters that even if the town placed four hydrants in the yard the rate of insurance on the stock would not be lowered one cent in consequence. A MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD | It had been said that Mr. Rathbun might remove his mill elsewhere if protection is not granted-when the supply of timber gave out they might do so, but they were not likely to do so because the council refused to incur a large annual expense in order to save them \$10 insurance on their

> Coun. KILLABY said the firm wished protection for their stock in the yards, which was not fully insured.

Dep.-reeve Robson supposed the case of the mill being burned down, and the company intimating that they would rebuild here if the town would grant them two hydrants-would not every citizen gladly grant the request?

Coun. GRAHAM said that Dep.-reeve Robson was imagining a case and inventing arguments to bolster it up. The council should deal with fact, not fancies. There was really no difference between ous discussion-then they pack the coun- Mr. Rathbun's property and that owned by citizens on any unprotected street.

Coup. KILLABY said Coup. Graham was evidently taking the ground that as the Rathbun business was established here the firm need not be considered farther.

Coun. Touchburn could see no distinction between Mr. Rathbun's request for a hydrant and that made by a number of south ward citizens some time ago for the protection of their property. When the waterworks system was put down the 65 hydrants were located to cover the town as fairly as possible until its growth, or the purchase of the system, permitted an From J. S. McCarty, offering to rent the extension; there had been no growth as yet and if they granted hydrants whenever asked the cost would be increasing all was now too high. At first Mr. Rathbun wanted a hydrant to protect the millwhen that was killed an employee of the was necessary for the protection of the yard. If the object is to protect the mill the firm could do it better by erecting a huge tank on the hill close by. The council should not be asked to do anything so near the end of the year-the mill will close down shortly, and a half-year's rent of a hydrant would be saved by leaving the matter to the incoming council. He was surprised to hear the mayor support From the secretary of the fire brigade, | the hydrant so strongly when other men

Mayor Walters-"You have no right to say that, Coun. Touchburn-sight councillors out of ten took the same view as he

Coun. CURTIN expressed himself in favor of granting the company the protection

Coun. GRAHAM-"In case one hydrant is not sufficient, are you willing to grant

Coun. CURTIN said "No," he was willing to put in one, but if two were needed the company should put in the second one. Coun. BRADY said that at first he had

been in favor of putting in one hydrant, He as chairman could not do anything but when the committee had measured the ground he had come to the conclusion On motion it was decided to allow the that one would be of very little use. In communication to lie on the table for the view of the fact that requests for hydrants had come in from citizens whose property and the lives of their families were in danger in case of fire, he thought it would be well to allow the matter to rest for the

Coun. GILLOGLY thought it would be wise to leave the matter in the hands of the new council.

take Mr. Begbie's word or Mr. Touchburn s word-it must be plain to every man that one hydrant in a big lumber yard situated The above were referred to the finance over half a mile from the fire hall would be no protection whatever if the mill caught fire, and the mill was the employ- had been awarded as follows: Coun. BRADY, chairman of the special ment-giving portion of the business. If ound that it was very suitable for the zens who had every dollar invested in

arrive too late to save a frame mill. Dep.-reeve Robson said that as the request was now changed to the protection of the yards the motion to put in the

taxes, and that the present home be let to Dep.-reeve CRANDELL argued with great pertinacity in favor of granting Mr. Rath-Reeve Kylie thought the report was not | bun's request-he had always been willing ull enough-the council wanted informs. | to grant hydrants wherever wanted, and

Curtin and Bryans were the only sup-

CHARITY MATTERS AGAIN. At this point a deputation of lady mementered the hall and were given seats

aside the railing. Dep.-reeve CRANDELL said that from April 8th to Oct., 13 families in the east

for wood, and \$77,10 for provisions.

desired to know was how many of those now receiving charity would be likely to go to the Mansion house, if rented. The

Mrs. Whiteside said there would be at least 11 persons from the north ward. Coun. BRADY said that at the meeting

of the charity committee he had suggested making a list, and it had been proposed that old women and old couples be made | ill and should be given hospital treatment. enter the home-they would speedily become reconciled to their more comfortable quarters. Instances were known where old people living with relatives and others were deprived of the aid given by the society, and their removal would prevent this abuse. There was also a possibility that one of the tenants now in the Mansion house might be allowed to remain, as there was plenty of room, and the rent paid would go to lower that paid by the town. A ward might also be fitted up for Brady and Pedlar be a special committee the reception of sick or injured persons who have to be cared for by the town. The present home could be rented for \$5 or \$6 per month, which sum, added to the amount paid by the tenant in the new home, would reduce the rental paid by the town to a small figure. He was certain that the majority of the citizens would commend their efforts to provide a comfortable home for the old people and at the same time reduce the outlay for

to be acted upon at once. Coun. GRAHAM said it had been suggested that a combined hospital and home be built, and that the town pay \$2.80 per week for the board and care of the indigent poor. He would like to know if the present cost was less than that amount.

Mrs. D. C. Trew pointed out that in the resent home the cost of each inmate was 14c per day, or 98c per week.

Mr. THOS. CONNOLLY said there was another side to the question-in case a larger home is provided there is a possibility of boarders being sent here by other municipalities either permanently or for a time. The extra cost of the larger home would be only about \$120 per annum, and having a suitable place to treat sick or injured persons should be a recommendation-every councillor knew that the hiring of temporary quarters and nurses had cost the town large sums in the past. The ladies on the charity committee were doing a noble work for humanity, and their recommendation in favor of the larger building should have weight. He was confident that the saving over the present isolation system would be fully \$300 per year.

Coun. Touchburn said that about the only point remaining to be considered was whether Mr. McCarty was not asking too high a rental-\$180 and taxes was equal to \$230 or \$240 a year.

Mr. CONNOLLY-"It will represent only \$120 allowing for the rents we get."

Reeve Kylie explained that he was not going to oppose the committee's suggestion, but it was not just in accordance with his own idea. They might figure the rent as close upon \$200, which was 10 per cent, upon the price of the building. In his mind it was a question if, when spring comes, they could get some of the casual recipients of charity to leave such a comfortable home. They might depend upon getting outsiders into the home, but it would not be as easy to get paid for their keep-in the present home they had one outsider but had never been able to get a cent for her maintenance. A vote was then taken on the report,

which was adopted without opposition. REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Coun. GRAHAM, chairman, read the report, which recommended payment of Carried. the following accounts: Mrs Hopkins, nursing Lucy Alger \$

C S Blackwell & Co, fire team supplies..... Thos Killaby, repairing east ward bell Wm Kenny, V S, attendance and medicine

road scraper, etc Matthew Carlin, carriage, reception of Premier Bowell.... B Gunnigle, two carriages at reception.....

James Twohey, three carriages at reception,. W A Jewett, rig for Mayor and Coun, Brady, team for hospital committee.... cab on Mayor's order.....

single rig, Col Deacon, premier's five carriages and one buggy for J L Winter's funeral _____ two carriages premier's reception L H & P Co. 52 lamps from Aug 1st to 31st. 130 3 arc lamps, all night.....

fire hall lights clerk's office lights.... town hall lights..... acct from Sept 1st to 30th ____. 165 35 F. VanCamp, 2 snow shorels....

The following were paid from time to time during the year, the vouchers being filed in the clerk's office, but which were passed by the committee without any

REPORT OF THE POLICE COMMITTEE.

Coun. PEDLAR, chairman, presented the report, which certified to the correctness of Chief Bell's returns for Sept.; the report also recommended that the chief and his assistant be granted \$16 each for the pur-Reeve Kylie said it was not necessary to | chase of winter overcoats. - Adopted. REPORT OF THE STREET AND BRIDGE COM

Coun. Touchburn, chairman, reported that tenders had been called for cleaning snow off sidewalks for 1895 96, and contracts

J. Thornhill, north ward 8 64 J. Grozelle, east ward..... 5 J. Reynolds, east part of south ward. T. Murdoch, west part of south ward.....

Coun. KILLABY said he was in favor of replacing Mr. Grozelle's name with that of Mr. Kearns, who had done the work

so long and so well-it was too bad that he should be cut off for a difference of \$8. Coun. Touchburn said of course the council did not know what Mr. Grozelle might do, but people spoke well of him. Coun. Killaby should have been present at the meeting to look after his choice, as it was an understood rule that the representatives of the wards should have most to say in the selection of the men. If the east ward representatives favored Kearns he would be willing to change the

Coun. Robinson said the lowest tenders had been accepted, and all were good men. He had known Grozelle for 32 or 33 years, and he would ask them if they had ever known a lazy man of the name. Josh Grozelle was hard-working, truthful and honest, and he would like to know where the council could get the like of him. Another point was that Grozelle has one

of the best horses for the work to belfound

Dep. reeve CRANDELL expressed his willingness to second Coun. Killaby's motion to appoint Kearns in place of Grozelle, and it was proposed to leave it in the hands of the east ward members, but Mayor Walters insisted that the whole

declared adopted.

TO GO TO THE HOSPITAL.

Coun. GRAHAM referred to a communication from Drs. McAlpine and Kempt matter but had not reported as it had no been dealt with by the council.

Mayor WALTERS said he had instructed Dr. Kempt to write for terms, but no reply had as yet been received; he thought, how ever, the rate was \$2.80 per week.

STILL ANOTHER COMMITTEE. Moved by Dep.-reeve CRANDELL, second-

ed by Coun. CURTIN, that Messrs. Robson, to assist the Central charity committee in connection with the new home. - Carried. THE RED ELEPHANT. Moved by Dep.-reeve CRANDELL, second-

ed by Coun, KILLABY, that the chairman of' the fire and water committee be instructed to store the hook and ladder wagon in some convenient place and make arrangements to have it taken to fires, and that similar action be taken with regard to the extra 500 ft, of hose, the resolution

Reeve Kylle said he did not know what

to think of the motion. Four or five years ago they had only half a mile or so of mains, and the hose had to be dragged through the mud wherever wanted; to-day we have over 61 miles of mains and 67 hydrants, a good hose wagon and first-class team of horses, but all this had not been obtained without heavy cost. The hook and ladder wagon was bought because the large property owners wanted it and the insurance companies made it a conditionits purchase saved the town a large amount in insurance. He was just as anxious as anyone to have the wagon at all fires, but the one team could not do the work, and a liveryman would charge \$350 or \$400 to keep a team always ready for service. . He could not understand what the council of eight or ten years ago were thinking of when they took down the roomy fire hall on the market square, Next spring the council would have to erect a suitable fire hall, and he thought the matter should be allowed to rest till then.

Coun. TOUCHBURN thought the committee should act as they thought best.

Reeve Kylie said if all were willing to incur the cost for the extra team he would go ahead, but he felt that the system was now costing as much as the town could stand. Dep.-reeve CRANDELL said there was a

spare reel that would carry the 500 ft. of

hose, and it could be hitched on behind the hose wagon; as for the hook and ladder wagon, a lean-to could be built outside where it might be kept. Reeve Kylie said the horses had all they could do now, and should not be compelled to drag the hose reel; in case an arrangement was made to have the

hook and ladder wagon taken to fires the reel might be tied to that. Coun. BRADY suggested that the chairman ask the liverymen to tender for the job of taking the wagon to fires, and this

was agreed to. TAKING A GOOD MAN'S PLACE. Moved by Dep.-reeve Robson, seconded by Coun.GILLOGLY, that the name of Coun. Graham be substituted on all committees for that of the late J. L. Winters .-

A SMALL ITEM Moved by Coun. ROBINSON, seconded by Coun. GILLOGLY, that J. Dennis be paid \$2 for cleaning out a well on the hospital 1 00 site property.-Carried.

LATE COMMUNICATIONS. From W. H. Broad, V. S., asking permission to erect a frame driving shed at 17 Peel-st., same to be sheeted with iron next season.-Referred to fire and water committee with power to act.

From D. Dancon, stating that he had improved the roadway leading to his new residence in the north ward to the value 1 25 of \$35 or \$40, and soliciting in return about 2,200 ft, of plank to lay a sidewalk' which he would build himself,-Referred to street and bridge committee, with power to act.

The council then adjourned.

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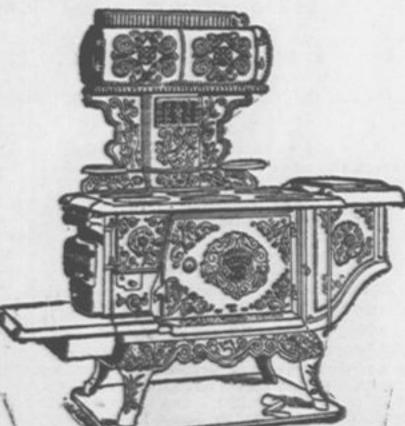
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