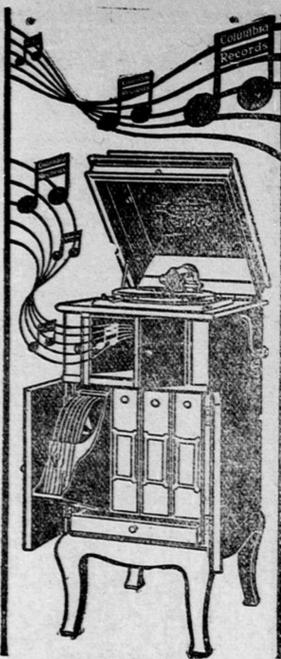


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**COAL OPERATORS' REASON FOR RECENT INCREASE IN PRICE OF HARD COAL**

The advance of 25 cents a ton demanded by the anthracite combination of Pennsylvania is to be resisted. The operators claim that the increase in wages resulting from the new agreement with the miners, together with certain other alleged increases in the cost of getting out coal, makes this advance in the price of the product necessary. It is widely believed, however, that the operators could quite easily have borne this increased expense out of their own large profits. The public interest is to be subserved by an investigation set on foot by the Merchants' Association of New York. This association investigated the telephone service in New York city, and succeeded in saving the people about \$1,500,000 a year. It also investigated the express business and was influential in bringing about an investigation by the Inter-State Commerce commission, which it is thought may result in a reorganization of that business.

The operators deny the existence of a combination. If there is none, it is singular that all the companies are able with such facility and certainty to agree upon a uniform advance of 25 cents a ton. Every year it is customary to fix a June discount of 30 cents, a July discount of 20 cents, and an August discount of 10 cents. This is done with the regularity of machinery. How can this be done if there is no combination, or what amounts to the same thing?

In 1910 a United States government expert estimated the cost of anthracite coal at the mines at \$2.10 per gross ton. The price to dealers is \$5.25 at tidewater. Here is \$2.12 to be accounted for, of which not more than half is absorbed by the cost of transportation. To the price of \$5.25 at tidewater must be added the profits of wholesalers and middlemen—amounting approximately to \$1.50 a ton. This brings the price to the consumer up to \$6.75. That is to say, the actual cost of the coal, plus transportation, is \$3.43, leaving \$3.32 as profit, almost equally divided between operators on the one hand and wholesalers and middlemen on the other.

Evidently the companies were in no crying need of that extra 25 cents. If it is the last straw on the camel's back arousing the American public to effective remonstrance, it may be a blessing.—Spectator, (Hamilton.)

**DR. EDNA M. GUEST SPEAKS ON MEDICAL INSPECTION OF RURAL SCHOOLS**

Dr. Edna M. Guest, of Toronto addressed the convention of the East and West Victoria Women's and Farmers' Institutes yesterday afternoon at the Academy of Music. The subject of the discourse was "Medical Inspection in Rural Schools." Dr. Guest is a splendid speaker, and clearly pointed out to the large gathering that medical inspection of school children is an absolute necessity.

There is no medical inspection of rural schools in Canada except in British Columbia, where a law is in force regarding the medical inspection of all schools. The United States is ahead of Canada in this respect. In Massachusetts and New Jersey there are state laws providing medical inspection of the schools. In Toronto there is the most highly organized system of medical examination of pupils of any city in Canada. There is medical inspection of schools in London, Hamilton, Montreal and Halifax. Dr. Struthers is the Chief Inspector who is over a staff of eighteen doctors. There is also a superintendent over some twenty-five nurses. The nurse visits the school every morning and lines the children up in front of her and picks out from sight the children affected with skin diseases, and diseases of ear, nose and throat. The doctor makes a diagnosis of the infectious disease and makes out a

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card and gives to the child to take home to the parents, advising what is best to do. The parent is at liberty to have her own family physician, or to go to the free dispensary. The nurse follows up the case and sees that the orders are carried out. Each doctor is responsible for from two to five schools, or about three thousand pupils. The doctor weighs and makes a careful examination of lungs and other parts of the body. The medical inspector is not allowed to treat any disease, as the rule is not to interfere with the parents' free choice of a physician. A few diseases which undermine the strength and health of a child are diseases of the nose, throat, ear and also of the eyes. Ear aches are often caused by enlarged tonsils. Children who snore and sleep with their mouths open and have irregularity in their teeth are the ones which suffer from asthma and often in their homes the parents never realize the importance of checking this trouble, and a whole life is wrecked by ignorance. The child is never well till the cause is removed, which generally comes from throat trouble and the tonsils.

The diseases of the eye is another trouble which undermines the health of a child. A child who is cross eyed or short sighted has to strain the eyes to read and in consequence brings on a whole train of nervous diseases which bother the child during the whole life. When a child of 3 or 4 years is cross-eyed the trouble can easily be remedied. But when the child is 8 or 9 years the trouble is chronic and the situation is more serious. Only an operation after this stage will be effective, then the eyesight is never trouble which undermines the health as good.

The care of the teeth is another thing important in a young child. So many mothers neglect to care for the child's teeth, especially the first teeth. They think it a matter of time for the teeth to fall out. The first teeth neglected cause stomach and intestinal troubles, which are so frequent in young children.

The medical examination aims at training mothers that their children must not grow up with impaired health and it aims at teaching the parents and children how to keep the precious jewel of good health.

The examination of school children in cities is altogether different from the inspection in the county schools, and town schools. The most practical way would be to have a local doctor to inspect the pupils of a certain school in a day in a stated time. He would make examinations as to the health of the child, and give short talks to the children on the best way to keep healthy and strong. This doctor would be responsible to the Board of Education.

**OPS COUNCIL HELD MEETING**

Ops Council met as a Court of Revision on the 1912 assessment roll on May 27th at 10 a. m. All the members present.

After taking the oaths of office, Reeve Robertson was appointed chairman of the court on motion of W. Best and G. Maloney.

The appeals before the court were: Lowery Kennedy and Patrick Murphy each appealing to have assessment for a dog removed, as the dogs had been killed just after being out on the roll. The assessor, D. W. Terrill, appealing to have the name of Joseph Breen removed from the roll as he had removed from the township. Wm. Best, appealing to have the names of Francis Curtin James McCabe and Miss Pettit added to the roll.

On motion of W. Best, seconded by F. W. Hickson, the dogs of L. Kennedy and P. Murphy were struck from the roll, with the understanding that this must not be considered a precedent as it was thought an unwise policy for the court to remove a dog that had been placed on the roll.

On motion of W. Walden and F. W. Hickson, the name of Joseph Breen was removed from the roll. On motion of W. Best, seconded by W. Walden, the names of Francis Curtin, James McCabe and Miss Pettit were added to the roll.

On motion of G. Maloney, seconded by W. Walden, the assessment for 1912 as revised was now confirmed, and the Court of Revision closed.

Council then took up general business in regular session. The minutes of the special meeting of May 4th were read and confirmed.

Communications: From P. O. Inspector, several letters re rural mail. From Board Railway Com., stating that the Board's engineer and the C.P.R. engineer were meeting to revise plan for Stewart's bridge. From Copeland-Chatterton Co., re new bylaw book. From Dr. Blanchard and Dr. Murphy applying for the position

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of Medical Health Officer rendered vacant by the removal of Dr. Brown. From trustees S. S. No. 10 asking for an advance of school money at end of June. From Seymour Power Co., enclosing executed copy of agreement re franchise in Ops.

Interviews: Mayor Dr. Wood and Alderman Smale were present on behalf of the town council to ask the co-operation of Ops in carrying the surface water from west of the town down to the river. The matter was discussed at some length and was laid over for further consideration.

Mr. Wm. Sluggett was present to ask if he would put in the tile drain that he was to have done last year, would the offer of assistance from last year's council hold good if the roadway was drained as agreed. Council assured Mr. Sluggett that it would.

A bylaw was duly passed appropriating money for the use of the different commissioners in improving roads and bridges and aiding the erection of wire fences. Division 1 to have \$578; div. 2 \$573; div. 3, \$668; div. 4, \$536; div. 5, \$300. In all \$3000.

A bylaw was passed amending by-law No. 568 re polling subdivisions, detaching all lot No. 18 in the 5th con. and the northwest part of lot 18 in the 6th from polling subdivision No. 1 and annexing the same to No. 2. Also detaching all of lot No. 29 in the 4th con. from polling division No. 1 and annexing the same to polling division No. 2. This will mean that the names of John and Bruce Reynolds, Bryan Tully, Mrs. Mary A. Tully, Ven. Archdeacon Casey, Mrs. Mary Connor and Peter and James Connor are removed from polling division 1 and placed in polling division 3, also that E. Clendenman, T. Allen, D. O'Connell, M. Farrelly, H. Chantler, J. A. Peel, W. Peel, M. Wilson, G. Culbert, B. Wood J. Corley and C. Silver are detached from division 1 and placed in division 2.

Moved by F. W. Hickson, seconded by G. Maloney that W. Walden and W. Best be a committee to go over the new C.P.R. road with the company's engineer to see what is needed in the way of drainage, etc., said committee to have authority to ask for any change that they think necessary. On being appointed this committee suggested that it would be well if any ratepayers having a grievance of this kind, that is a municipal matter, would notify the clerk thereof immediately, so that it might not be overlooked.

Moved by W. Best, seconded by W. Walden, that the following accounts be paid: The Post for printing 500 road lists, \$15; Copeland Chatterton Co., for sectional post binder and 200 sheets for bylaws, \$9.20; National Concrete Co., for tile, \$25.30; D. W. Terrill, balance salary as assessor, \$50, and for equalizing union schools, \$6.

On motion of G. Maloney, seconded by W. Walden, Dr. Blanchard was appointed Medical Health Officer in place of Dr. Brown, who is removing from town. The clerk asked to have the township office moved up street to the office occupied by Mr. Kidd near the post office, where there would be the advantage of having a vault for township papers, telephone, ground floor office, etc. Council approval of taking advantage of this chance and on viewing the new premises it was agreed that the move be made about June 1st.

The clerk was instructed to inform the G.T.R. that H. Doran was willing to let them move his stable so as to give a better view of the track and approaching trains. Council adjourned to meet June 17 at 10 a. m.

**Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA**

Dr. White, Miss White, and Master White, of Kilmount, were in town today.

**BANKS ARE OBLIGING**  
Ottawa, May 27.—Hon. W. T. White some time ago requested the banks to help in the effort which the Finance Department is making to call in the worn, torn, defaced and soiled Dominion notes and issue fresh ones. The head offices of the banks have responded cordially, and are instructing their branches to return all such notes which come into their hands to the Receiver-General, taking fresh bills in exchange.

**\$1 PER CADET**  
Peterboro, May 27.—The Collegiate Institute Cadet Corps (three companies) was inspected here this evening by Col. Ogilvie, D.A.A., Kingston. Col. the Hon. Sam Hughes, Minister of Militia, was present, and highly complimented the cadets on their efficiency, and informed them that they would soon receive their new cadet service Ross rifles, and that the Government had decided to make a grant of \$1 per cadet each year to assist in getting uniforms.

**THE TILE DRAIN FAILED TO CARRY OFF THE WATER**

One of the worst sufferers from the recent flood was Dr. Blanchard, who labored all day yesterday in an effort to get the storm water out of his premises on Ridout-st.

A Post reporter dropped into the doctor's yard last night and the effects of the flood could be plainly seen. The water rose to a height of two feet and entered the lower apartments of his residence, causing considerable damage. In fact the family has been obliged to vacate this portion of the house until such time as the effects of the floods have disappeared.

The trouble was no doubt caused by the town laying a 16 inch tile across Ridout-st. to connect with a box drain 2 feet deep and four foot wide, which runs along Lindsay-st. and through Dr. Blanchard's property. Last night this box drain was completely filled with water, in fact it was running over the top. The tile was not large enough to carry such a flow, and of course it backed up and caused the damage referred to.

At the time the tile was being laid across Ridout-st., many citizens expressed the opinion that it would not do what was expected of it, and events have proven that they were right.

**BAY OF QUINTE CONFERENCE OPENED**

Cobourg, June 3.—Though the Stationing Committee of the Bay of Quinte Methodist Conference got down to business this evening, no actual stationing will be attempted until tomorrow morning. The first draft of stations will be ready early tomorrow afternoon. This evening the question of transferring ministers to and from other Conferences was dealt with, and an inventory of available men for ministerial work was taken. Rev. W. G. Clark, of Port Hope, is president of the conference.

Mrs. E. E. Sharpe spent yesterday in Bobcaygeon visiting children, the wards of the Children's Aid Society.

**DORSET POSTMASTER WAS DISMISSED**

Globe correspondents writes as follows: "Mr. F.A. Cassidy, Postmaster at Dorset, in Muskoka district, received a letter on the 15th. of May from the Postmaster authorities, that on Friday May 17th. his office would be transferred to Mr. W.C. Sparks, jun. No charge or complaint appeared in the letter. On the 17th., Inspector Sweetman arrived and examined the accounts and found everything right to a cent and was pleased to see an office so well kept. The office fixtures were formerly at West Toronto, and Mr. Cassidy, at considerable expense, purchased the outfit, which was about the best in the district. He also purchased a good safe to keep the cash and stamps in. After all this outlay, it is now thrown on his hands, and the principal part of his living taken away, he having a wife and five little children depending upon him. Mr. Cassidy is a very popular young man in Dorset and the people spoke bitterly against the action of the Government.

**BARRIE CITIZENS VOTED FOR HYDRO**

Barrie, Ont., June 3.—The Hydro-Electric by-law was carried here today, only 42 votes being recorded against it. Another by-law for the raising by debenture of \$7,000 for the extension of the Barrie electric light plant for distribution of the Hydro-power to all parts of the town, was also carried with only 46 negative votes.

A third by-law to expend \$46,000 on permanent roadways, carried with a bare majority of only 97. This latter sum will be expended on building a tar macadam roadway, one mile in length, between Ward Six, Allandale, and Elizabeth streets. This is one of the main thoroughfares of the town, and is largely used for automobile traffic, being the main roadway leading from Toronto to the north. Another lake shore road at the east end will be greatly improved and made into a beautiful water front driveway and walk.

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**GRAIN LINE OPEN MIDDLE OF JUNE**

Orillia News Letter.—According to the latest information, operations on the Georgian Bay and Seaboard Line of the C.P.R. system will commence on Saturday, June 15th.

Mr. M. E. Parks, C. P. R. station master, received the following letter on Monday from Mr. H. C. Groat, Superintendent of Division No. 1, C. P. R., which includes this line: "We expect that the Operating Department will take over the Port McNicoll subdivision before June 15th, and it will not be possible to handle any freight between Coldwater Jct. and Orillia until the line is taken over."

In conversation with the inspector of the line, Mr. Parks was informed that if nothing unforeseen happened the work of completing the finishing touches on the road should be all done by the end of the week. The work is being pushed with all possible speed.

Mr. Parks expects the station here to be completed by the end of this week or early next week. The platform is now being built.

On Mr. Parks' staff will be Mr. J. Dennison, of Lyr, who will be his chief clerk; L. E. Schriber, of Trout Creek, will be Inward Clerk; G. A. Whiting will be billing clerk at freight office and J. O'Keefe will be freight shed foreman.

The timetable for this division is not to hand yet, but it is expected next week.

**WEDDING BELLS**

SUCCEE—ANDERSON

Thursday evening a wedding was solemnized in Hastings of Mr. Albert Sucee, brakeman on the Lindsay train, and Miss Anderson, of Hastings.—Examiner.

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