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THE WEEKLY POST. LINDSAY, FRIDAY, DEC. 22, 1899. OUR CITY FATHERS. Financial Standing Read by Treasurer. FRANKLIN CRANDELL IS NOW CHIEF OF THE FIRE BRIGADE.

CONTRACTOR LUSCOMBE'S DIFFICULTIES—UNPAID WORKMEN'S LIEN AGAINST THE TOWN. Council agrees to Pay the Men—Appointment of Police Commissioners to be Awaiting Decision.

OUR CITY FATHERS. Financial Standing Read by Treasurer. FRANKLIN CRANDELL IS NOW CHIEF OF THE FIRE BRIGADE. In accordance with the municipal statute made and provided, our town fathers met last Friday to receive the treasurer's financial statement and to transact such other business as awaited their attention.

OUR CITY FATHERS. Financial Standing Read by Treasurer. FRANKLIN CRANDELL IS NOW CHIEF OF THE FIRE BRIGADE. The members present at the opening of the session were Messrs. Sootheran, Ingie, Jackson and Lennan; Messrs. Horn and Crandell made their appearance some time later.

OUR CITY FATHERS. Financial Standing Read by Treasurer. FRANKLIN CRANDELL IS NOW CHIEF OF THE FIRE BRIGADE. From Margaret McNab, asking that assessment of the property known as the Brocks' house be reduced; that the usual rebate be made on an empty store, and the water for gate for hotel and store be remitted.—Referred to finance committee.

Table with names and amounts: Janial Brown, 14.55; Wm. Chisholm, 13.44; Wm. Powers, 13.44; Jas. Berry, 10.79; Wm. Gougeon, 7.21; R. Reid, 8.49; R. Mohr, 8.91; P. Kenny, 10.21; Geo. Ingie, 10.21; R. Reid, 13.81; J. H. Brown, 19.75; P. Murphy, Jr., 2.29; J. Hogan, 8.49; E. McNeill, 16.20; Frank Hutton, 39.38; M. Haipin, 9.71; R. Graham, 5.73; H. Woodhouse, 4.85; E. Clement, 9.71; P. Malone, 1.21; R. Robinson, 13.21.

Report No. 32 of the finance committee, meeting held on Dec. 9th, was presented by Ald. Sootheran, chairman, and was read and adopted. Report 17, of town property committee was read by Ald. Lennan, chairman, and also passed inspection.

Report No. 18 of the board of works presented by Ald. Jackson, chairman, was read by Ald. Jackson, and the principal item dealt with the William, Wellington and Cambridge-st. sewer. Contractor McKnight receives an extension of time to complete the work inside the ground next spring.—This report was adopted.

The Sewer Lien Discussed. On motion Mr. O'Leary was heard in the matter of the unpaid bill of Contractor Luscombe. The town was indebted to the latter in a certain amount, and the men concerned had employed him to lay their claims against that corporation. The law reads that a corporation shall retain 20 per cent. of the tender price of any contract in order to protect such claims.

RECEIPTS. From Jan. 1st to Dec. 15th, 1899. Balance cash on hand Jan. 1st, 572.11; Bills payable, 24,000.00; Board of Works, general repairs, 78.10; Board of Works, good roads, 9.75; Contingencies, 8.00; Debentures, 3,000.00; Debentures interest, 73.32; Legislative school grant, 653.00; Charities, 72.50; Cab licenses, 15.00; Livery licenses, 30.00; Butchers' licenses, 40.00; Tavern and shop licenses, 210.00; Pedlars' licenses, 13.00; Corporation mortgages, 150.00; Market revenue, 830.01; Non-resident taxes, 492.07; Non-resident percentages, 99.60; Printing, advertising and stationery, 64.00; Public notices, 10.40; Police Court fines, 49.02; Rents, 18.00; Taxes, 1897, 699.93; Taxes, 1898, 129.83; Taxes, 1899, 3268.57; Collegiate Institute sinking fund investments, 750.60; Collegiate Institute sinking fund interest, 436.45; Special grants, 140.02; Refund, over payment fire man, 5.00; Local improvements rates, 191.20.

EXPENDITURES. Jan. 1st to Dec. 15th, 1899. Ontario Bank over draft, Dec. 31, 1899, \$ 80.16; Accounts payable, 3,785.50; Bills payable, 10,000.00; Board of Works general repairs, including material on hand, 3,483.29; Board of Works, Lindsay-st. bridge, 2,099.57; Board of Works snow plow contracts, 176.00; Board of Works good roads, 833.20; Board of Health, 58.55; County Rate, 1898, 2,998.00; Charities, 699.41; Fire department, 469.55; Billiard license refund, 24.51; Caterpillar extermination, 2,769.23; Debentures, 6,506.87; Debenture interest, 91.85; Office expenses, 173.00; Light, 1,691.11; Fire team maintenance, 57.10; Hydrant rental, 1,645.00; Insurance, 6,879.50; Interest, 6,789.50; Legislative school grant, 653.00; Law costs, 359.91; Butchers' license refund, 5.00; Billiard license refund, 24.51; Rider & Kitchener bonus, 2,099.00; Insurance, mortgaged property, 2.80; Movable property, 161.80; Methodist church drain, 16.30; Printing, advertising and stationery, 598.10; Police Court supplies, 2.25; Public Library, proceeds debentures, 1,060.00; Public Library maintenance, 548.70; Real estate, wharf property, 313.50; Office rent, 93.75; Tax percentages, 263.18; Repairs to property, 41.90; Collegiate Institute sinking fund, 2,118.10; Sp. alia grants, 390.02; Collegiate Institute rates, 2,539.15; Public School rates, 8,900.55; Separate School rates, 1,500.00; Salaries and allowances, 5,510.80; Shade tree planting, 15.75; Telephone service, 41.90; Taxes refunded, 45.05; \$66,118.96.

Local Improvements. Kent-st. sewer, \$ 1,909.00; Bond-st. sewer, 1,937.31; Lindsay and Glenelg-st. sewers, 2,251.25; William-st. sewer, 25.63; Lindsay and Melbourne-sts. sewer, 9.12; William and Russell-sts. sewer, 994.88; Cambridge-st sewer, 3,656.42; \$ 8,913.70.

PAYMENTS. Granolithic walk south side Kent, William to York, 616.61; Granolithic walk, side Kent, Lindsay and Glenelg-sts., 1,565.40; Granolithic walk, e. side York, 13.53; York Lindsay, William and Cambridge-sts., 1,574.68; Granolithic walk, e. side York, 13.53; Balance cash on hand, \$ 2,784.45; Total expenditures, \$81,617.01; Men Who Issued the Lien, \$ 285. For information of council Clerk Knowlson read the names of the men attached to the lien, and the amounts due them, as follows: M. Laidy, \$ 27; J. H. Brown, \$ 19.75; J. Hogan, \$ 8.49; E. McNeill, \$ 16.20; Frank Hutton, \$ 39.38; M. Haipin, \$ 9.71; R. Graham, \$ 5.73; H. Woodhouse, \$ 4.85; E. Clement, \$ 9.71; P. Malone, \$ 1.21; R. Robinson, \$ 13.21.

THE MANITOBA ELECTION. Montreal Herald: One case in which Mr. Greenway has shown his statesmanship is his railway policy. Yet it seems now to be clear that no influence conspired more to bring about his defeat. From the start he recognized the fact that in the new provinces, far removed from the grain markets of the world, and in which agriculture dwarfs every other industry, in point of prominence, railway accommodation and reasonable freight rates are of the utmost importance. Holding this view, he resolutely set himself to work to encourage legitimate railway building, and refused to allow himself to be controlled by existing railways. He succeeded in greatly facilitating the development of Manitoba, by reducing freight rates, and in improving the condition of the farmers. In a zeal for the interests of the farming community, he incurred the hostility of the Northern Pacific Railway Company, and in the election his candidates found themselves between two fires, and on the one hand the influence of a powerful railway company and on the other that of extreme radicals, advocating the nationalization of railways regardless of the financial crisis which would probably follow such a move. To this latter element Hugh John Macdonald gave his countenance. But let Hugh John make good his promises for provincial ownership of railways, and the son of the conservative chiefman will at once lose the endorsement of his party and deal severe blows to the financial standing of Manitoba. Let him overlook these promises and he will forfeit any claim to the title of Provincial Premier, and bring down upon his head the condemnation of those who have been persuaded to believe in him. In either case Hugh John's predicament is an enviable one. Even should the show-up when the house of commons meets make another election unnecessary, the government constituted, as it will be, and which has attained power on the 22nd of Dec. 1899, will be a government of the people.

AT CANADA'S CAPITAL. Offer of a Second Contingent Has Not Yet Been Accepted.

MINISTRY WAITING THE WORD.

Serious Conversation of British Forces Chief Topic of Conversation Here, and Dr. Borden Has Received a Number of Offers for Service in the Transvaal - Wants Parliament Called. Ottawa, Dec. 18.—The serious reverse of the British forces in South Africa is, of course, the principal subject of conversation here, and the gravity of the situation is realized by all. Hon. Dr. Borden, Minister of Militia, has received a number of offers for service in a second Canadian contingent, and there is no doubt that one can be raised if it is required. For the present, however, the Minister is not in a position to accept these offers. Several weeks ago, as already stated in the press, the Dominion Government communicated with the Imperial authorities, the position taken by Her Majesty's Government in London on the question of the second contingent will be of particular importance now, and therefore the Imperial patch on the question is worthy of reproduction.

The Imperial Despatch. The communication of the Colonial Secretary to the Governor-General was in the following terms:—"Your Ministers' generous offer to send without delay a second contingent for service in South Africa has received the attentive consideration of the Secretary of State for War and his military advisers. But they regret that, under existing circumstances, they are unable to accept it. The offer was, however, certainly borne in mind, and Her Majesty's Government will have no hesitation in availing themselves of it should future events make it desirable to do so. Her Majesty's Government do not attach great importance to this fresh offer, and desire to express their grateful appreciation of it." (Signed) Chamberlain.

From the terms of this despatch it will be seen that the Canadian Government's offer of a second contingent is still before the British Government, and that the moment the formation of such a contingent is deemed expedient by the War Office authorities, the offer will be notified, and the contingent will be immediately organized. If the situation continues to be as serious as the despatches of to-day indicate, it seems probable that the second contingent will be called for.

The Australian Contingent. Sydney, N.S.W., Dec. 18.—The Imperial authorities on Saturday telegraphed to the Governor of New South Wales, Earl Beauchamp, accepting the offer of a further Australian contingent for South Africa, and suggesting that the men should be mounted and good shots. Ottawa Field Battery's Offer. Carleton Place, Ont., Dec. 18.—At its meeting on Saturday, the Ottawa Field Battery Council, at its meeting on Saturday, passed a resolution endorsing the offer of a contingent of 100 Canadian volunteers to the Transvaal. The offer was made by the Ottawa Field Battery, and the council voted \$100 towards the contingent's benefit fund.

Carleton Place, Ont., Dec. 18.—In his address at Convocation Hall yesterday, Principal Grant declared that the voice of the people on the crisis in South Africa must be heard. These reverses of the British arms in the Transvaal will make us more united than ever before. Carleton Place, Ont., Dec. 18.—The orders received yesterday from Ottawa, at the Militia Stores Department in Quebec to prepare 1,000 carbines, such as are served out to cavalry and artillery, were expected, and from information received from official sources they are already executed. A thousand of the Lee-Enfield rifles for the infantry, carbines for artillery and cavalry, three Maxim guns and also all the equipments necessary are already in order at the armament department of the Militia Stores Department.

It is understood that A and B Batteries, Royal Canadian Artillery, will be called upon this time to make part of the second Canadian contingent. Every soldier of the permanent force of artillery seems to be disposed to enlist, and it is stated here by men who are supposed to know something in the matter, that the names of 1,700 men have already been sent to Ottawa. CAVALRY AND ARTILLERY TO GO. To Sail in Three Weeks—Northwest Mounted Police, Royal Dragoons, A and B Batteries with Northwest Mounted Police. Force - Minister's Plans in Forward State.

Ottawa, Dec. 19.—Canada will send a second contingent of not less than a thousand men to aid the Imperial forces in South Africa. Yesterday afternoon the Cabinet reassembled after having spent the morning in the discussion of routine matters, and Sir Wilfrid Laurier, who had paid his second visit of the day to Government House, laid before the Government a copy of a cablegram from Mr. Joseph Chamberlain, which Mr. Chamberlain had received at 1 o'clock. The exact wording of the cablegram has not been made public, as it dealt with matters of detail which it would be impolitic to publish at present, but the fact that the Imperial Government had requested Canada to implement its offer of more troops made on Nov. 7 last was enough for the Ministers. Decided in Five Minutes. As one of them said last night, it did not take much more than five minutes for the Cabinet to decide that Hon. F. W. Borden should immediately instruct his officers at the Militia Department to go on with the preparations for sending the second contingent. Hon. Dr. Borden has had most of the details ready for a month and more. From advances which have been received from England, the Minister of Militia has concluded that if a second contingent of Canadians should be formed, the Dominion's most valuable contribution would be in the form of cavalry or mounted infantry and artillery. Dr. Borden has in his possession at the present moment a complete plan for the organization of a division of this kind.

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Before 48 hours are past Dr. Borden will have put another project into effect. Steps will be taken towards recruiting 200 prairie boys, men who can ride and shoot as well as any cavalryman in the world and who are used to getting along on rations of the scantiest. Many of these dentens of the prairies are cowboys only in name. Hundreds of them have served in the Mounted Police and have gone into ranching, either on their own account or working for somebody else. They will jump at the chance of active service, and which will be an exceedingly valuable point, will be able to furnish their own horses, animals admirably trained and hardened to the same privations that have been and will be successfully withstood by their masters. The recruiting in the Northwest will be carried on at several points, probably Regina, Calgary, Fincher Creek, Edmonton and Prince Albert. The Mounted Police who desire to enlist will be given their discharge on application, and the cowboys or ranchmen will be enlisted at the same time. The following official statement was handed out last night: "The Imperial Government has at length accepted the offer of the Canadian Government, made on Nov. 7th November last, of a second contingent."

A Cabinet Council was held this morning, and instructions given the Militia Department to prepare this second contingent to be forwarded at the earliest possible moment. A cable to this effect has been sent to the War Office. Composition of the Force. The composition of the force will be probably as follows: 1. "A" and "B" Batteries of the Permanent Corps. Their peace strength is 200 over 500, and they will be brought up to 200. They will take 12 guns. 2. A force of 200 or more cavalry or mounted infantry, made up from the Northwest Mounted Police and the Royal Canadian Regiment of Cavalry. 3. A battalion of infantry, probably 500 strong. This will be made up of volunteers.

Lord Minto's Reply. Lord Minto cabled Mr. Joseph Chamberlain at 7.30 o'clock last evening, informing him that preparations for the organization of the contingent had been commenced. Lieut.-Col. Pinaut has communicated with the firm of H. & A. Allan, the Dominion Line, and Elder, Dempster & Co. in regard to securing two twelve field guns, eight wagons and 940 horses, with 1,000 men, would make it necessary to charter two \$240,000. The cost would be about \$240,000. The "Allans' bill for the Sardinian was \$118,650. To Sail Within Three Weeks. The Militia Department estimates that the contingent can sail from Halifax or St. John within three weeks. Navigation at Quebec will be closed by that time. The contingent will have to go to the point of embarkation through the Intercolonial Railway, as the United States Government would object to our troops passing through Maine by the C. P. R.

MILITARY MEN SATISFIED. Opinions and Facts Gathered at the Canadian Military Institute. Toronto, Dec. 19.—The make-up of the second contingent meets with the approval of every military man in the city. At the Canadian Military Institute a large number of officers were gathered in the evening for conversation. The artillery topic of what was wanted, and such men as the Northwest Mounted Police would prove invaluable as men of iron frames, iron nerves and iron determination. The 500 volunteers should be the best saddle men and armed not only with the rifles but revolvers. "A" Battery, which is at present stationed at Kingston, is commanded by Major C. W. Drury, who has for his officers, Captain J. A. Paves; and Lieut. J. H. E. E. E. W. McGaff y.

THE LAST DAYS OF 1899. Holidays, and the assembling around the hearth thrills one with pleasure and makes blood warm and hearts beat faster. We have well provided for this festive occasion and given Santa Claus a place at all our counters. We will just mention some of our many holiday suggestions. HANDKERCHIEFS. Quantities of lovely little Hand'rs, at 1c; Nice Hemstitched White Hand'rs, at 3c; Santa Claus Hand'rs, in nice colorings, for 4c; Lovely Hemstitched Linen Lawn Hand'rs, at 7c, 6c and 5c; Better lines at 9c, or 3 for 1; Handsome Scallop Edge Hand'rs, with mottoes, 25c; Nice Colored Border Christmas Hand'rs, at 10c; Ladies' Silk Hand'rs, fancy edge, at 25c; Hemstitched Initial Silk Hand'rs 15c and 25c; Hemstitched Juniper Hand'rs, initialed for 20c; Celluloid, China and White Metal Ware. Fancy Pin Cushions, White Metal Stands, 25c; Dainty Celluloid Photo Stands, with glass 25c; Handsome Photo Frames, with stand, 2 for 25c; Nice Pebbled White Metal Pin Trays, 25c; Mantle Piece Pictures, done in Plaster Paris 35c; Pretty Real China Dolls for little ones, 25c; White Metal Jewel Cases, 25c.

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