

Nelson Council.

COUNCIL CHAMBER,
Nov. 7th, 1887.

Council met pursuant to adjournment. Members present. Minutes of last meeting read and confirmed. A petition from Miss H. A. Smith was read and laid over.

On motion of Mr. Harris, a special grant of \$10, payable to the order of H. H. Powell, was made to John Pearson, he being sick and in indigent circumstances.

On motion of Mr. Pettit, the following accounts were ordered to be paid, viz.:—P. P. Triller, for lumber and nails, \$5.10; G. Allen, for cedar posts, \$2; W. H. Smith, for 38 feet 14 in. flue in road division No. 77, \$88; and for 28 feet 22 in. flue in road division No. 84, \$42.

Mr. Hartley moved, that the \$75 granted to improve the road through the Nelson rocks be placed in the hands of Councillor Harris to be paid over on the completion of the work, and \$20 paid W. N. Scott for opening road in division No. 57, also \$1 for repairing scraper.—Carried.

Mr. Pettit moved, that J. F. Stephenson be paid \$81.16 for building a bridge in division No. 4.—Carried.

Mr. Harris moved, that the sum of \$80 be paid J. Coutts on account for filling stone and earth in road division No. 77.—Carried.

On motion of Mr. Hartley, 68 cents was refunded to M. J. Vollick, being an error of assessment.

The following named persons proved the loss of sheep killed and damaged by dogs, viz.:—J. Sherwood, two sheep killed; Robt. Husband, three sheep and four lambs killed; Joshua Fowler, three lambs killed; Thomas Stephenson, four sheep and 2 lambs killed; James Ford, 1 sheep killed. On motion of Mr. Hartley the following sums were ordered to be paid for the said damages, viz.:—J. Sherwood, \$4.26; R. Husband, \$17.60; Joshua Fowler, \$8; Thos. Stephenson, \$24; James Ford, \$4.

Moved by Mr. Pettit, that the reeve and Councillor Hartley be appointed a committee to examine the bridge over the Twelve Mile Creek in road division No. 45, and, if they consider it unsafe for public travel, to have it repaired or rebuilt; also to examine the bridge over the Indian Creek.—Carried.

Mr. Peir moved, that the following accounts be paid, viz.:—G. Harbottle, for teaming, putting in culvert, and putting up railing in division No. 73, \$9.25; the Campbell Sewer Pipe Co., for 23 feet 6 in. pipe, \$5.04; J. Harbottle, for cedar timber, \$3.25.—Carried.

On motion of Mr. Pettit, V. H. Peart & Co. were paid \$64.26, for lumber to pathmasters, as per account.

On motion of Mr. Peir, J. Readhead was paid \$80, for lumber to pathmasters, as per account.

On motion of Mr. Pettit, Wm. Green was paid \$2 for removing a dead horse from division No. 14, the owner thereof being unknown.

Mr. Pettit moved that \$4 per month, to the end of the year, payable to the order of the mover, be granted to James Freeman, an indigent.—Carried.

Council adjourned, to meet on Monday, the 5th day of December, at 10 a. m.

DANIEL McLAREN, Clerk.

Private letters from Calgary give a strong indication that the policeman's lot is hardly a happy one at that place. It is stated on good authority that about twenty-six men in one day applied for leave to purchase their discharges from the Mounted police at that post. The action of the men at Calgary is said to have been followed by a number of the men at Macleod. There appears to be no specific cause of complaint except one of general disgust with the management of the force. It speaks well for the sterling principles of the men that while such a discontented spirit should be rife amongst them there are comparatively few desertions. It is worthy of note that the posts of Calgary and Macleod are under the command and supervision of Mr. Herchmer's most loyal supporters.—(Battleford, N. W. T., Herald.)

We understand, says the Almont Gazette, that our temperance friends are about to inaugurate a vigorous campaign against unlicensed vendors of forty-rod, and are determined to keep it up until the law is made a terror to them. It is certainly time something was done. The Scott Act is now being openly violated in every town and village in the county, and here in Almont several whisky shebeens of the lowest type are alleged to be doing a flourishing business. We hope Mr. Robertson and his assistants will give the latter establishments their special attention, as it is in them the worst mischief is done—enticing mere boys within their doors and crazing them with the vile compound that passes for liquor. The sooner those places are routed out the safer it will be for the youth of the town. Thus far the Scott Act as in operation in this county has provoked the contempt of not a few who were at first its strongest advocates.

NEWS ITEMS.

It is said that 20,000 special constables will be sworn in to prevent further rioting in London.

Four hundred lives are reported to have been lost by the burning of the Queen's Hotel.

The Court of Queen's Bench has reached the verdict of the coroner's jury in the Mitchellstown abetting case.

Plymouth church, Brooklyn, has extended an official call to Rev. Charles Berry, of Wolverhampton, England.

The Ontario Government has authorized the offering of \$1,000 reward for the detection of the Orangeville dynamiters.

The contract of the 43,000 ties required by the Guelph Junction Railway Company has been awarded to Mr. Thos. Robinson, of Harriston, for \$12,000.

At the inquest on the body of Henry Torrance, an Erin township farmer, who was shot by his hired man, a verdict of manslaughter was returned.

There seems to be no doubt that the broken down Central Bank of Toronto will be wound up. The holders of notes are all right. These will be redeemed at par at an early day.

Chief Justice Galt has decided that telegraph companies have a right to destroy shade trees. He has not yet decided whether people may walk on the streets without the consent of the telegraph companies.

There was only one dissenting vote registered at the meeting of Plymouth Church, Brooklyn, when it decided to call Rev. Chas. A. Berry, of Wolverhampton, as successor to the late Henry Ward Beecher. The salary offered is \$10,000 a year.

A MURDERER AT ELEVEN.—An 11-year-old boy was convicted of murder and sentenced to life imprisonment at Atlanta, Ga. He stabbed a man who objected to his possessing a lowd cigarette picture. Prohibition is in force at Atlanta, which is the home of Rev. Sam Jones.

Two cases of leprosy are under treatment by Dr. Van Harlingen, a German physician of Philadelphia. They are reported to be dangerously contagious and unless Dr. Harlingen refuses to give any information regarding them, the Health Officers will compel him to do so.

An Ottawa despatch says: The typhomalaria epidemic here continues unabated, but the percentage of mortality is small. There are sixty cases under treatment in two hospitals, besides 100 other patients throughout the city. The work of flushing the drains has been nearly concluded.

Sir Fred Middleton has received a private letter from His Royal Highness the Duke of Cambridge, commending Her Majesty's forces, complimenting him for his able direction of the Canadian militia, and expressing regret that owing to the compulsory retirement system the Imperial army should lose so valuable an officer.

Mrs. Mary Froude Middleton, nee Wise, of Ottawa, gives notice of her intention to apply to parliament next session for a bill of divorce from her husband, William Henry Middleton, on the ground of adultery, cruelty and desertion. Mr. Middleton filed a divorce notice some weeks ago.

Toronto's new Senator, Hon. John Macdonald, has donated \$40,000 toward an extension of the hospital in that city. Mr. Macdonald has made his money honestly as a merchant, without any assistance from discriminating laws, and his liberality must not be regarded as an attempt at atonement. It is a pleasure to testify that there is one good man in Toronto.

Some of the Scott Act newspapers are making capital out of the statement that no person was committed to the Oxford gaol for drunkenness during the year ending Sept. 1887. The statement is void of truth. There were numbers of drunks sent to gaol, and no official of this county will say otherwise.—Woodstock Times.

Mr. John Livingstone, of the Listowel flax mills, had the extraordinary yield of 792 bushels of oats off eight acres, grown this season on his farm adjoining the flax mill. This is 99 bushels to the acre. Mr. A. Stinson was the thresher, and they were taken from the machine well cleaned and ready for market. The oats were of the White Sovereign variety, and were sown on land that had previously grown two crops of flax.—Listowel Standard.

Mr. W. J. Falconbridge, Q. C., of Toronto, has been appointed to be Judge of the Court of Queen's Bench, in succession to Mr. Justice Armour, promoted to the Chief Justiceship. The appointment is a good one, as Mr. Falconbridge is an able young man and a painstaking lawyer. He is a native of Drummondville, and was born in 1846. It is somewhat remarkable that the firm of which he is a member has given the Province four Judges, viz., Messrs. Harrison, Moss and Osler and now Falconbridge.

Ten head of grade steers, fed by Wm. Johnson, Township Southwold, County Elgin, were sold to day to Mr. Charles A. McCorkell, of St. Thomas, their average weight on scale being 3,000 lbs. each. Mr. Johnston is well known here. His sole hobby for years has been the raising of exceptionally heavy cattle. He has not even kept a horse or any other animal on his farm of 100 acres, but has fed all its product to a few head of cattle. These cattle fed by him are about seven years old and stand fully six feet high; fed for five years. All owners say they are the heaviest bunch ever seen in Canada, and some six of them will be at Guelph fair in December.—St. Thomas Times.