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Daily Whig.

COST OF THE PAVEMENT.

At the board of works' meeting on Friday a report was submitted with regard to the paving of certain streets. The engineer's report gave the probable cost of the burden falling on the people. But there was one important omission from the printed report, namely, all reference to the kind of pavement.

It will be remembered that the people could not be canvassed for brick or asphalt or bituminous because the council had not expressed a preference for any kind. The decision of the council some time ago was to settle only one point, that there would be pavement on certain business blocks. At that time it was intimated that later tenders would be invited for pavement of different materials, and that when the tenders would be in there would be an opportunity to compare cost and select the article which promised to give the greater satisfaction.

It is possible that all the engineer has done so far is make an approximation of the cost—so much to be met by the council and so much by the property owners. But this approximation must vary surely in view of the fact that there is a vast difference in the values of the articles entering into the composition of street pavement. The board of works may make all doubtful points clear at the meeting of the council this evening.

TIME FOR A TRUCE.

The disturbance on Saturday evening, in which the students of Queen's became involved in a combat with the police, is seriously regretted. One does not want to see any serious consequences grow out of it, but it should lead to a very definite understanding, and to the effect that it will not occur again.

It has become a custom with students on certain occasions to become hilarious, and so long as they are simply playful the people excuse them, and even share the spirit they display. But there is a limit to the proceedings, and a point where the humor or the fun ceases. That point was reached on Saturday night, and to-day, some young men, not perhaps the leaders in the bout, are suffering a humiliation.

The disturbance was unfortunate. Its serious aspect began when the young men undertook to force their way into a place of entertainment. They had no right to do that. A man's house or place of business, or a place of entertainment, is open to visitors only on certain conditions, and they cannot be ignored. No circumstance can be offered in mitigation of the offence, and it is hoped that as the students realize this (as they must do on reflection), they will guard against a repetition of the error.

In Toronto the students and the civic authorities had an understanding some time ago. It was pointed out that offences against the person or the public did not comfort with the dignity of college life, and that for the sake of the university they should cease. It was decided further that the college governors would be held liable for any trespass and damage of the students. Then came the truce which has since prevailed. It is time for a similar understanding in Kingston.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

The U. S. government had at the close of the last fiscal year a deficit of \$58,070,201. And the discovery of this fact does not put the people into a panicky condition.

Business is reviving very fast. It has suffered in Kingston on local account, but the merchants will be the busier now that they have undertaken to make up for lost time.

Central prison full, and a large number of prisoners remaining in the county jails. Is imprisonment the better way of correcting evil-doing? Is it not the complete undoing of first offenders?

Everyone sympathizes with the Wormwith Piano company in the loss of their works by fire. Here was an industry of great value in the country, and one it is hoped a most deserving firm may have revived.

What a record of accidents—242 killed and 259 injured on the Canadian railways since January. Is it not time the railway companies discovered some means of stopping or checking this awful toll of death?

So the finance committee has asked the women to draft or evolve a workable garbage scheme. And the women

have undertaken to do it. They have the nerve, they have the go, and by Jove they will get the money, too.

The Spectator does not want a new election in West Hamilton—presuming that the seat will be declared vacant in a trial—because it will cost \$10,000 to elect a new member. Goodness. Is the constituency so corrupt as that?

The secret is out. The aim of the conservative party in Hamilton to control the council is to have the patronage. The distribution of pay by any machine, civil or provincial or federal, is wrong in principle and in practice.

Mr. Edison does not want to make any money. He wants to work, as hard as ever, but for the fun of the thing. At last one man has been found who knows when he has enough of wealth, and does not long for more.

George B. Jones, M.P.P. for Kings, in the New Brunswick legislature, is up for a breach of the independence of parliament act. Selling lumber to the government at \$2 per thousand above the rate of a competitor. Who would have thought it?

The colleges may have the fitting out of a good many for the civil service. But the service wants more than collegians. It has a need of men with a good business training and it will get them when the government pays them salaries on which they can live.

The Hamilton men who did some bluffing, with real ballots, which they honored and illegally displayed before the election, will not do any more joking of this kind. One gets four months in jail, and one two months. The lesson is a severe one, and very salutary.

The political machine in Hamilton decided that only a certain number of conservative candidates should run in the municipal elections. And there is rebellion, the meaning of which the Spectator should explain. It is in favour of the politicians running the civic elections under "right conditions."

The London Spectator is alarmed at the outlook of the British nation, financially. It expects a deficit for the current year of twenty-five million pounds. But it has old age pensions, aid for the unemployed, and other things which the people approve, and the tariff reformers say that they have a card which when played will put the pessimists out of business.

Overhaul Them All.

All the departments must be overhauled by Judge Cassels or by another commission. Poor Bah was finally sentenced to a horrible death—"something with boiling oil in it." We live in a more humane age; but those who have been grafting on the public so long must be punished in some degree; at least be removed from the scene of their corrupt activities. And should not the bribers also be punished? If the receiver is more guilty than the thief, is not the briber and the extortioner as guilty, at least, as the thief? It is held to be so in England, and some of the states of the union. At least, shall not those firms which confess to have charged the government ten per cent. more than others be compelled to disgorge it?

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Looking For The Job.

Montreal Herald.

Mr. Taft's election cost his brother over a million, and now Mr. Taft's brother thinks he ought to get a senatorship thrown in. It looks reasonable, too, in a way, although the brother's desire to butt into a game for which he has only a reflected qualification would seem to indicate that lesser talents are required for making money than for making presidents.

The Abuse Must Go.

Hamilton Herald.

As in the patronage system, so in the license system, the evil is in the system itself. So long as the administration of the license law is entrusted to active political partisans, it will be abused. What is needed is the abolition of the patronage system and the removal of the license administration from political influence, as promised by Premier Whitney.

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FOR CONSTITUTION SHOULD BE GRADUALLY EDUCATED UP TO IT.

He Strongly Favors One-Speaking of the Tabriz Situation. He Says the People There Are Naturally Revolutionary.

Teheran, Dec. 5.—His majesty the Shah of Persia, granted an audience to the local representatives of the London Express, and expressed a keen desire to dissipate some of the false impressions regarding his attitude on constitutionalism. His majesty asserted his belief in a constitution in emphatic terms: "I consider the institution of a constitution as essentially necessary for the advancement of Persia and the well-being and prosperity of the Persian people," he said.

"I realize what a great source of progress parliamentary government has been to other nations, but the deplorable results of the recent institution at Teheran of the Majlis (National Assembly) give ample proof of the necessity for a gradual development of the system in this country. The Majlis proved to be actually retrogressive, instead of progressive, and the experiences of the people with the Majlis led to a widespread movement against the revival of the constitution, under which the intelligent masses anticipated a return of the evils to which they were subjected under the first assembly."

"It is necessary that the people be brought gradually to appreciate the value of these institutions, and this is my aim. It is quite true that there are two parties in the country, one for and one against a constitution, but it is precisely for this reason that I fear a hasty decision might lead to disturbances which I am anxious to avoid. The work of the last Majlis caused sufficient trouble and bloodshed."

"The council of state which I have summoned will deal with all these questions. It is true that the members of this council are not deputies, but from this small beginning I hope that the council ultimately will develop to train my people properly to appreciate a larger constitutional regime."

Referring to the existing situation at Tabriz, his majesty said: "It is a mistake to suppose that the population of this city desires a constitution, or that it would be pacified were one granted. Similar disturbances were prevalent a year ago in Tabriz while parliament was sitting. The people of Tabriz are naturally revolutionary, including, as they do, a large number of Caucasians."

China Plants.

Harper's Weekly.

The latest novelty in decorations for centre-tables is the china flower. Baskets of natural flowers are to be replaced by the conservatory, since their place can be adequately filled by this new, warranted-not-to-fade vegetation, which is being imported from England. A peony rosebush standing a foot and a half high is one of the most attractive as well as the most expensive of the models. The bush is in full bloom, bearing deep pink flowers and buds, and with every detail of the foliage accurately reproduced from nature, even to the moss surrounding the root of the bush.

Another beautiful example of the new ware is a fuchsia plant. The purple blossoms hang so gracefully from their stems that it is difficult to believe they are artificial.

Less conspicuous designs may be found suited to the thinner purse, for some of these plants are only four or five inches tall, including the pot. A great variety of flowering plants are represented in the china, such as geraniums, lilies, primroses, tulips, hyacinths, and pansies, so that your choice is practically as unlimited as though you were in a florist's shop.

Expensive Politics In England.

Bradford Expositor.

We are told that we ought to look to England, as an example for our legislation against corrupt practices at elections. Perhaps we should; but we must not lose sight of the fact that while the corrupt practices there has done much to prevent the spending of large sums of money at the actual election, a new kind of disguised bribery has more than taken its place. "The demands upon the pocket of every pliable member are uncounted. In some cases it costs as much to have a constituency as a steam-yacht or a pack of hounds. It is by no means uncommon for constituents to cost their member between \$10,000 and \$15,000 a year. It used to cost a rich man \$50,000 to get an election. Now it costs him \$8,000 at the election and \$10,000 a year for the five years which is the average duration of a parliament. So that while in Canada we pay our members of parliament at the rate of \$1,000 a parliament, their brothers at Westminster have to pay nearly six times that sum if they wish to keep their hold upon their constituencies."

Wanting Their Money Back.

Ottawa Citizen.

Such two un congenial forces as Dr. Goldwin Smith and the Hamilton Times are denouncing the "infamy" of the Whitney government, in that it did sell Cobalt Lake to a syndicate for \$1,080,000 while some prospecting company alleged a "prior right" to the lake. Certain it is that they would be tickled to death, if they could get back the \$1,080,000, which an infamous government succeed in wheeling out of them for the benefit of the people of Ontario.

About Mr. Sifton.

Toronto World, (Conservative).

Mr. Sifton's return to parliament would indicate that he has something in the back of his head, that he has not flung away ambition. Great personal popularity, he can never possess, but he is clever, resourceful and able to make people sit up and think. His newspaper, the Winnipeg Free Press, has more than once taken sharp issue with the government. Were some big popular issue to arise, it is by no means certain that he could be counted upon as a blind supporter of the government.

GROWTH OF HAIR.

Contrary to Belief Cutting Retards It.

London, Tri-Bits.

A single hair, which can support a weight of two ounces, is so elastic that it may be stretched to one-third of its entire length and then regain its former size and condition. Dr. Pincus has measured the growth of hair by cutting off circles about one inch in diameter from the heads of healthy men, and so comparing the growth of the patches with that of the rest of the hair. He found that the growth rate generally became slower after cutting; that in some cases the hair on the patches grew at the same rate as the rest, but that it never grew any faster.

The ordinary length of the hair on the head ranges between twenty-two inches and about forty-five inches, the latter being considered unusually long. It has been calculated that the hair of the beard grows at the rate of one line and a half a week; this will give a length of six and a half inches in the course of a year. For a man 30 years of age, who has been a clean shaver from early manhood, the beard must have fallen for the edge of the razor.

Hints For Housekeepers.

Cold cereals can be fried the same as mush; serve with gravy or syrup.

To cover the pan in which fish is cooking will make the flesh soft.

Nickel may be kept bright by being rubbed with wool saturated in ammonia. All lard to fry fritters and doughnuts must be sizzling hot before putting in the batter.

Alcohol and whitening make a good silver polish; excellent for polishing plate glass mirrors.

Black lead mixed with vinegar will be found to give a specially good polish to the kitchen stove.

A piece of flannel dampened with spirits of camphor will remove stains from mirrors or window glass.

A weak solution of turpentine poured down the water pipes once a week will drive the water bugs away.

Ripe tomatoes can be cooked in butter, and a cupful of spaghetti added will make a tempting dish for luncheon.

Rub over new tinware with lard and thoroughly heat it in the oven before using it, for this it is protected from rust.

When making gravy add a little parsley to the grease before putting in the flour, remove it after it is thoroughly cooked, add the flour, and see what a delightful change it makes in the ordinary beef gravy.

To Make Matches Waterproof.

Seattle American.

Perhaps some of your readers would be interested to know that I have found a simple, inexpensive way to waterproof matches.

Into some melted paraffine care being taken that it was as cool as possible, I dipped a few ordinary parlor matches. After withdrawing them and allowing them to cool it was found that they scratched almost as easily as before being coated with the wax. Several were held under water for six or seven hours and all of them lighted as easily as before immersion. When the match is scratched the paraffine is first rubbed off and the match lights in the usual way.

Matches treated as above would be very useful on camping or canoeing trips, as they do not absorb moisture. Three more rubbing is required to light them than the ordinary match, it would be practically impossible to set them on fire by accidental dropping.

A Hint To Motormen.

Montreal Gazette.

Thirty Toronto street railway motormen were called into the office the other day, and went expecting trouble. Instead they were made sharers in the division of \$300 sent in by an old lady, a cripple, with the request that it be divided among certain motormen whose numbers she gave, who had been kind enough to stop their cars for her. She had kept a record of their numbers, and the sum was divided according to the stops they had made to take her on. If this sort of thing should become general we would soon forget what it feels to see a car go tearing by with the motorman's eye fixed so intently on the other side of the street.

Timely Warning.

Ottawa Free Press.

Marie La Blanche, died at Toronto yesterday from injuries received during a death-defying feat at the exhibition. It is time these "thrillers" were prohibited. No organization should employ men or women to risk their necks for money-making purposes.

Modernizing The Stage.

Louisville Courier-Journal.

"I suppose your play starts with a housemaid dusting the furniture and soliloquizing about the family affairs."

"No, we've cut all that out. Instead we have a vacuum cleaner with phonographic attachment."

WHAT SHALL I GET HIM FOR CHRISTMAS?

Worrying About What to Give Him for Xmas?

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WHAT IS A GENTLEMAN?

Old Definition Like Old Friends and Songs.

Alfred Henry Lewis' "Human Life."

What is a gentleman? Since the day of Cheops this question has been the sport of idle pens. Philosophers have answered it weightily and paragraphers wittily. According to the tailor's "fashion plate," a gentleman is a simpering noodle who carries himself like a stick. According to Reggie Rattleplate, a gentleman never carries himself—he is helped upstairs by his valet.

According to the maid of sweet sixteen, a gentleman is a human slot machine that tosses out hombons and bouquets. According to Mr. Get-Rich-Quick, a gentleman is a personified checkbook. According to Social Climber, a gentleman is a person who drops his "h's" and scatters his "X's."

But, after all, old definitions, like old friends, and old songs are best. A gentleman is simply a gentle man, who is slow to take offence and slow to give it. He compels consideration from others by showing consideration to them. He is clean-minded, clean-limbed, clean-cut from head to heel.

He dresses well, not because others like him better for it, but because he likes himself better for it. He believes that a healthy, symmetrical body deserves intelligent care, and he sees that it gets it. He avoids shams in dress because he seems to seem what he isn't. He makes the most of himself, his looks, his gifts, his opportunities.

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