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**RECOMMEND PURCHASE OF FIRE CHEMICAL AND HOSE MOTOR CAR.**  
 And Do Away With Four Horses—The Civic Fire Committee Acts on Report Submitted by Chief Armstrong.  
 Kingston, in its fire department, is about to follow the progressive and satisfactory lead of other cities of Canada and the United States. The fire and light committee of the city council is this time moving up in line with the modern idea. The first step in motorizing the fire department has been taken. A resolution was passed at a meeting of this committee on Tuesday afternoon, recommending to council the purchase of a combination chemical and hose car to take the place of a chemical engine and a hose wagon now in use, and dispense with four horses. And the recommendation asks that a by-law be submitted to the people in January to raise the money, by debenture, to the amount of \$7,850, for the purchase of the new car.  
 In view of the efficiency and the economy in maintenance the committee made the recommendation.  
 Chief James Armstrong, complying with the request of the committee, submitted information regarding horse drawn apparatus vs. motor apparatus, and the cost of maintenance of each.  
 The maintenance of one horse, for forty-five months, from Jan. 1st, 1909, to Oct. 1st, 1912, (forty-five months), including details, feeding, shoeing, harness, etc., was \$530.55. Allowing for an average monthly cost per horse, of \$11.79, the total expense for one year for nine horses is \$1,273.32. Owing to the increased cost of feed this amount will be considerably increased for 1912 and 1913. Allowing for one horse dying in service, five others being sold, six purchased at a cost of \$1,275, the average expense to the department for horses for forty-five months has been \$5,423.35.  
 To dispense with horses and use motor apparatus, entirely would require the purchase of two combination chemical and hose cars, one tractor for ladder truck, one chief's car, and replacing steel tires on steamer with rubber tires, at a cost of \$22,200.  
 The following figures are gleaned from a list of places with adequate conditions such as Kingston experience, and even more frost and snow, showing the small cost of maintenance in connection with these cars per month: Sault Ste. Marie, \$10.80; Arlington, Mass., \$6.45; Victoria, B.C., \$6; Lansing, Mich., \$4.20; Shepworth, La., \$3. The cost of motor apparatus is \$5.50. The cost of maintenance in Kingston should not exceed \$75 per year. The cost for repairs to the motors, the chief estimated, would be about the same as for the horse drawn apparatus.  
 The chief has seen these cars demonstrated, and motor driven apparatus has been decidedly recommended by all chiefs whom he has consulted and corresponded with on the subject. Regarding winter service, replies have been received from a number of places whose conditions at this time of the year are parallel with Kingston. With the exception of Duluth, Minn., chiefs state that they have not had any trouble in responding to calls through the snow or other conditions in the winter months. The trouble in Duluth is credited to the steep grades on the streets.  
 There are a great many advantages in using motor apparatus in place of horse drawn apparatus. First, you have the speed to respond to calls, which allow men and apparatus to reach the fire in its incipient stage, which is the most important point in fire fighting, and no matter how many alarms are sent in, you can make as good time as to the first one. Second, you have the immediate service of men who are now tied up in the care of the horses on reaching a fire.  
 The chief stated that at the present time, when the apparatus from both stations respond to a call in any of the extremes of the city the more congested portion, is for the time, left without proper protection. With the present growth of the city in the western and northern ends, which will likely continue, he stated that in a few years stations would have to be built in these sections if the present apparatus continued. With motor apparatus the city could be controlled from the present stations.  
 As to reliability, reports covering seventeen cities and towns show that in 3,452 alarms received, the cars failed to start in only two places and in only five did not fail to reach the fire. Motor apparatus can carry twice the amount of hose than horse drawn apparatus. A large number of men can be carried on a motor machine. The use of such a car, as utilized in Toronto, Ottawa, Hamilton and London would dispense with four horses used on the hose wagon and on

**LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.**  
**A Denial Made.**  
 Belrock, Nov. 12.—(To the Editor.)—Sir, I wish to correct the telegraphic statement in your issue of the 7th inst., in regard to the late Mortimer Meeks, of Parry Sound. Mr. Meeks had been able to work the most of the time since he was discharged from Toronto asylum. His wife did not have to work as charwoman to support him as he had two detached men at home, both getting big pay, and quite comfortable. His wife had typhoid fever and brooding over her sickness caused him to do the rash act. His son was not a witness to the deed. Will you kindly allow me space in your valuable paper for these few words. Yours, JAMES H. MECKES.

**An "Enquirer's" Roast.**  
 Kingston, Nov. 13.—(To the Editor.)—I read that the city has insufficient electric power and that more power must be obtained. Would it not be much better if the city cancelled its contract with the street railway, more especially, as I understand, the city is paying three-quarters of a cent per kilowatt an hour, and selling it to the street railway at one-half cent. Surely this is a poor way for the city to prosper.  
 Have you ever noticed that everything that the citizens are to pay for is always sprung on them in the fall just before the election occurs? It is not so in an absolute sort of way and at the last meeting of council will be left over for the new council to deal with. When the new council meets some Solon will say this is a legacy left over from the old council for them to act upon. He will also say that, although he does not quite approve of it, still, as the old council had almost promised to do this thing, he does not see how they can help but pass it. Is this not so?—Enquirer.

**SAYS PARENTS CONSENT To His Marriage With Sixteen-year-old Daughter**  
 K. F. Sam, the young Chinese land-dryman who wishes to marry an up-town girl, who is in her seventeenth year, called at the Whig office, on Wednesday morning, to say that both parents are willing to consent to the wedding should take place, and are trying to have it performed. He says he cannot understand why a minister should refuse to recognize the marriage license when both parents are favorable, even if the girl is under sixteen.  
 "What is the use of a marriage license?" the celestial asked a Whig man. "I got it honestly, the girl's father coming with me. I wish to deny the statement made by a clergyman, that the girl's mother objected to our marriage. She did not object, but is in favor of it."  
 Mr. Sam says he was surprised that the wife of a Kingston clergyman should advise the parents of the girl to deny their daughter to the wedding. He wishes to say that he is a British subject and has been in Canada eleven years. The opposition of the clergyman to his marriage with a white girl does not appeal to him as very Christianlike. The son of China blames the article in the Whig for the last week for making his intended marriage so prominent that the clergyman of the city seem afraid to perform the ceremony. He will likely seek the services of an outside clergyman to wed him.

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**USE EXHAUST STEAM IN THE HEATING OF THE CITY BUILDINGS.**  
 City Property Committee Discusses the Matter With a Toronto Expert—To Have Specifications Prepared.  
 A special meeting of the City Property committee, called on Tuesday afternoon, to meet E. R. Tyler, of Toronto, to discuss with him his method of heating with exhaust steam, decided to have plans and specifications drawn up for the work of heating the city buildings with exhaust steam from the city power plant.  
 The meeting was called at four o'clock, with Ald. Givons in the chair. Other members present were Aids. Stroud, Harrison, Couper and Litton, also the city engineer and Mr. Tyler. The latter explained his system, which he is installing in the locomotive works. He said there was abundance of steam from the city's power plant to do the work. He said a six-inch pipe with the necessary insulation of asbestos and concrete would be sufficient to heat the city buildings. A pipe from eight to ten inches could be used to heat other buildings along the line, and stores up the main street.  
 It was resolved that the chairman, the city engineer and Mr. Tyler be authorized to prepare specifications for the heating of the city buildings by exhaust steam, and that should the city decide on any other kind of heating it should pay five per cent. of the cost of the plans and specifications. That should it use Mr. Tyler's system or none at all, the plans and specifications should be free.

**"The Arrival of Kitty."**  
 Wit and humor with many pretty, tuneful musical numbers are features of the famous comedy with music, "The Arrival of Kitty," which will be presented at the Grand on Saturday, November 16th. Bargain matinee and night. The story has sufficient plot to carry it along and retain the interest of the audience and is artistically constructed that it never fails to please the most fastidious theatre-goers. Probably one of the greatest reasons for its success is its wholesome dialogue and for that reason alone it has been recommended by the press of all the leading cities. Among the pretty musical numbers are "Wedding Bells," "I've Got Them Guessing," "I Want a Little Loving," "All the World Loves a Lover," "Tum, Tum, Tiddle," and "Another Rag."  
 Either as a Drink.  
 It is not generally known that ether is a popular drink in Ireland; almost as popular, one might say, as whiskey, pale ale or stout. On the authority of a contemporary it is stated that in the county of Londonderry there are cabarets where ether is sold exclusively and these cabarets are so abundant that the strong aromatic odor of the anesthetic is quite noticeable in the streets. Here are some figures: A Dublin dealer sends to Belfast each year about 200,000 hectoliters of ether, while from a London druggist 22,000 hectoliters are imported annually. Two cents, or an English penny, is the price of a glass.  
 Navigation will close on the St. Lawrence river on Nov. 15th, and on the canals on Dec. 15th.  
 It is hinted that Ald. S. Bailey may be in the majority field next January.  
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**TO AMEND THE BY-LAW RESPECTING THE STORAGE OF GASOLENE IN CITY.**  
 Chief Armstrong Wants All Large Tanks Installed Outside Buildings in Approved Sections.  
 Owing to the increasing number of automobiles and garages in the city, the Fire and Light committee, on the recommendation of the chief of the fire department, has felt it incumbent to take steps to regulate the storage and handling of gasolene.  
 At the meeting of this committee, on Tuesday afternoon, Chief Armstrong called the attention of the aldermen to the present by-law governing the matter. It makes no provision for the use of approved metal tanks with pumps for storage of a greater quantity than set forth in section 25. Several of these tanks have been installed within the city, contrary to the by-law. The chief recommended that the by-law be so amended as to require that they be installed outside buildings and in locations to be approved by either the city engineer or the chief of the fire department.  
 The danger of allowing four or five hundred gallons of gasolene to be stored within the buildings in the thickly populated sections of the city, without proper safeguards, is obvious. And if the department has notice of where these tanks are located, precautions will be exercised, and probable explosions prevented.  
 By resolution, the chairman, Ald. Fair, Ald. Bailey, and Chief Armstrong were appointed a committee to consult and give necessary data to the city solicitor for the amendment of the by-law to the effect of the chief's recommendation.

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 Holleford Happenings.  
 Holleford, Nov. 12.—Some of the farmers have been unable to dig their potatoes as the ground remains so wet, and those who have complain of the rot. The Ladies' Aid served tea in the school room on Friday evening and notwithstanding the heavy rain quite a number were present and had an enjoyable time. F. Babcock, Kingston Business College, spent Sunday at his home here. Miss Grace McKnight, teacher, Deserets and had game very scarce. Mr. Teggart of Westport passed through here, picking up yearlings. John Dowdell, who has been ill, is improving. Dr. Singleton and nurse, Westport, were called on Sunday to a case of appendicitis. Mrs. J. Fair returned home after spending a week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Dowdell. Mrs. Chapman, Glen Tay, called on friends. Mrs. Clys is visiting friends in Perth. Some of the men are making ready to go to work on the railroad at Bollingrove.

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