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Letters to the Editor

A Statement By Ald. Hewitt.
Kingston, Feb. 27.—(To the Editor.) As certain statements were published in the city press some time ago regarding what J. H. Birkett had accomplished by making repairs on the Killey waterworks pump, I think the public should know that on his advice the Utilities Commission saved \$30,000 and \$9 per day, and had practically a new pump able to take care of the city's water consumption and had an excess of 50 per cent. till the population is 40,000. What is this statement of Mr. Birkett worth when this winter the Inglis pump, which is of half a million gallons larger capacity than the Killey pump, working day and night, has not been able to keep the proper amount of water in the tank, and for many days there was only about twenty-five feet in the afternoon. In fact for three years in midwinter, and midsummer, water was lost out of it nearly every day and if anything had gone wrong with the Inglis pump many consumers would have been without water. This is the pump Mr. Birkett said never did and never could pump 400,000 gallons. The new meter contradicts him. The water consumption during the day has been at the rate of about 180,000 gallons per hour. The Killey pump will supply 144,000 gallons per hour. According to Mr. Birkett, it takes 180,000 gallons per hour for the present population, 17,000, will be enough for the next 20,000.

In 1908, at Mr. Birkett's instigation, Prof. Willhoff made a test of the Killey engine and reported to the Waterworks Committee that the pump was doing 39 1/2 per cent. less than its contract duty. I saw at once that his report was a false one (that also could you expect from a German), and when I pointed out to him his falsity he would admit nothing. The report was so far from the truth that the chairman of the Waterworks Committee, Ald. Carson, dared not put it to the Council with my statement with it. In fact his report proved him either incompetent or crooked, or both.

In 1914 the pump was repaired by putting in new plungers. I had provided, when the pump was made, the bronze sleeves through which the plungers worked, large enough and thick enough to permit boring 13 and a half inches. This work has my approval. But Mr. Birkett would have a new piston which cost about \$250, because he said it was leaking through, that is, the old one; but when it was taken out there was no evidence of leakage whatever. All that was needed was a piece of packing to centre the piston properly. So there is \$250 wasted. He had circulated reports of that supposed leaking of the pump was in a discreditable state and required immediate attention. To meet that statement I refer to Willhoff's report, clause 2, where he says: "I wish to remark that the plant is, generally speaking, in a first class condition and well managed." But later he thought the pistons were leaking, although he knew nothing about them but what Mr. Birkett told him. Now, if Mr. Birkett had a good case, why and why did he lie about it to suit Mr. Birkett? He says the pump was completely overhauled, which is not correct. The air pump, feed pump and connections, which were more worn than any other parts, were never touched, and when I last saw it running it was in a very dilapidated condition, largely due to the engineer's neglect. But the pump barrels are badly worn. After the repairs Mr. Birkett must have the public interest in mind. He would have had Mr. Evans make the test. But that would not suit him, so he gets Prof. Burroughs to make it, and on this he makes a great report.

When I went into the report I found that the supposed gas was not in the pumps but at the boiler, where no change had been made. I also find in this report that he has done more work with slack coal than Babcock & Wilcox could do with the best coal produced and best boilers with mechanics stoker. Then there is a large difference between this test and one made in February. Burroughs test 265 lbs. coal per hour to do the same work. Next Burroughs test shows Killey test 19.9% of ashes and the Inglis test 16.3% from the same coal. This is 23% more ashes in the Killey test, which clearly indicates that 23% more coal was used than report. On the strength of this report he advises a new fireman for the day shift, because the present one is wasting \$408 in coal by poor firing. On going back to the February test I find that the day fireman is in no way inferior to the other man, but slightly better.

To go back to the pumps. If he has made such a great saving it should show it in the daily work, which it does not. Taking nine months before repairs the work done was 372 gallons per lb. of coal. Seven months after repairs 377 gallons. A great amount to blow about! After this report and another of about the same value on the light plant, Mr. Birkett wanted to put Burroughs on the Utilities salary list at \$1,500 as an expert over Evans, which looks like boasting at the city's expense; but the other commissioners would have none of it, and yet they paid \$116 for the most useless report I ever came across.

Before I took charge of the Waterworks plant it cost the Waterworks Company \$11 per million gallons for fuel to pump water to the old reservoir on Colborne street, 75 feet above lake level, and a new pump to do it with. Under my management the fuel cost was reduced to \$4 per million gallons to the tank 186 feet above lake level, or seven times as much work for a dollar.

The water rates were reduced from an average of 26-33 to 9-8 1/2 which left. We made good the loss of scrapping 60% of the old company's plant and left a plant worth \$400,000, and only \$121,000 owing on it, and \$11,000 in the bank.

Yours truly,
T. HEWITT.

INCIDENTS OF THE DAY

LOCAL NOTES AND ITEMS OF GENERAL INTEREST.

Happenings in the City and Vicinity
—What the Merchants Offer to the Readers of the Whig.

Pianos to rent, C. W. Lindsay, Ltd.
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Pick out the vacant lot you intend to cultivate this summer.
If everybody has to register, will the ladies have to tell their age?

Standard patterns are sold only at the College Book Store.
One must be hard to please if none of the brands of weather we are getting suits.

W. Swain, piano tuner, 100 Clergy street west. Orders left at McAuley's, or phone 564.

Miss Florence Gordon, Elphinstown, Kingston, has returned home again.

There are quite a bunch of officers in the General Hospital suffering from various disabilities.

Mrs. Belwa was removed from her Barriehome home on Thursday in James Belwa's ambulance to the General Hospital.

We will rent you a piano, and at end of six months if you feel like purchasing instrument we will allow the six months' rental on purchase price, and arrange easy terms on balance. C. W. Lindsay, Ltd.

There is a move on foot to induce the Ontario Government to pass legislation permitting the sale of table wines and light beers in the province.

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Late Wednesday afternoon Justice Latchford finished the hearing of the one case on the docket, that of Angus J. Macdonnell vs. Frank H. Keefer, and reserved judgment.

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A. W. Sirett, district agricultural representative, was expected to arrive back from Toronto on Thursday. He attended the conference of representatives held there to determine ways and means to increase production.

College Book Store for Standard patterns.

Prevost, Brock street, has an extra fine assortment of tweeds, chevrons and blue and black serges in his order clothing department.

His ready-made clothing and gent's furnishing department are well assorted with new goods at low prices.

THE STORES ALLOWED TO BE OPEN MONDAY.

Fuel Controller Nickle announced this morning that the stores would be permitted to open next Monday as the fuel conditions are somewhat improving.

For the past three Mondays the stores have been closed in order to save fuel. The mild weather has helped considerably in fuel conservation.

Stores and other business places will continue to carry out the scheme of restricted hours for opening and closing for the present.

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Will be over. This week (Saturday) ends the big sale. Don't delay — there's lots of cold weather ahead yet. There are low prices in each department for men, ladies and children.

- Men's Beaver Coats for \$100.00
- Ladies' Hudson Seal Coats for \$118.00
- Ladies' Pony Coats for \$58.00
- Men's Fur Coats for \$28.00
- All Winter Cloth Coats 1/2 price
- Indian House Shoes for \$1.50
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HAD A BUSY TIME.
Fuel Controller's Staff Rushed with Orders of Wednesday.

Fuel Controller Hugh C. Nickle and his staff had a busy time on Wednesday. One would have thought by the rush that was on that it was the very last day for the receiving of orders. However, each one was given his small allowance of coal, and everyone went away happy.

On Thursday morning the rush for coal was not as great as on Wednesday. It was stated that the coal dealers were taking orders for delivery on Monday.

BOYS ENTERED A STORE.
And Secure \$1 From Till in Early Morning Hours.

During the early morning hours of Wednesday two boys secured an entrance to Marshall's tobacco store, on Upper Princess street, and secured \$1 which had been left in the till. It is believed that the boys got into the store by the rear entrance. The boys were seen in the store and an alarm was given, but they managed to get away.

Willard Box May Play.
Willard Box, the speedy forward player of the Dentals, and considered by some the best amateur player in the world, who was operated on for appendicitis, is likely to play for the champion dentals at Kitchener on Friday in the O.H.A. finals. He was skating at the Toronto Arena to-day. It is expected Box will greatly strengthen the Dentals.

Elected Club President.
E. A. Turner, a well known citizen and manager of the Montreal Transportation Company, has been elected president of the Frontenac Club for 1918.

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