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**A FURTHER REDUCTION A CASE OF EXPLOITING**

**IN POWER RATES. POSSIBLE OF THE RETURNED SOLDIER IN NEXT YEAR. A DESPICABLE WAY.**

Greater the Consumption the Lower the Price—Gas Rates To Be Lowered Later In The Year.

Chairman R. F. Elliott announced to the Utilities Commission on Monday afternoon that when he was in Toronto last week he had an interview with engineers of the Hydro-Electric Commission who informed him that they were quite satisfied that next year the local commission could offer another substantial reduction in the power rates. Kingston would receive a lower price from the provincial commission by taking a larger block of power, and as the local demand for power increased the price to the consumer would drop. So the prospects are certainly good.

Commissioner Rigney asked the general manager what chance there was of lowering the gas rates this year. Mr. Folger replied that no reduction could very well be made before June. If the City Council authorized the issue of debentures, for rebuilding the old gas tank, then a reduction of rates would come soon. The price of gas has been \$1.50 for the past year. As oil and soft coal are dropping in price, gas can be produced cheaper, and by the summer the people may be asked to pay probably only \$1.25 a thousand cubic feet.

The chairman announced that the audit of the commission's financial report for 1918 had not yet been completed. Several letters were read from the city auditor asking for information with reference to a number of entries for which he pointed out that he could find no authority. These matters will be adjusted.

Manager Folger reported that in order to provide for the paving of Montreal street, a gas main should be laid between Gas and Chestnut streets. The cost would be \$350 and there would eventually be a good revenue in return for the expenditure. The laying of the main was authorized as well as for one in York street to Montreal street.

The chairman was authorized to arrange for the sale of a quantity of slack coal which the commission has on hand.

The commission dealt with a request from the civic fire and light committee for a discontinuing of some of the "white" lights and the placing of arc and tungsten lamps at places throughout the city where more light is needed. Manager Folger will prepare an estimate of the cost and submit it to the committee.

The Whig Learned From W. A. Green His Dealings With A Company for Which He Was Canvassing.

In a recent issue of the Whig an item appeared reporting the remarks of Magistrate Farrell in connection with the case of Walter A. Green, a returned soldier who was arrested on a warrant sworn out by a representative of the Continental Publishing Company of Toronto. In dismissing the case, the magistrate condemned the methods adopted by the company in securing returned soldiers to work for them, and said that their dealings should be investigated. Acting on this suggestion, the Whig interviewed Walter A. Green, the returned man who was on Thursday cleared of the charge of theft, and received the facts regarding his connections with the company.

He stated that the Continental Publishing Co. was a firm operated from Toronto by two men, Messrs. Davis and Simonsky. Their plan was to get returned men to go out canvassing for subscriptions to magazines on a commission basis. The canvassers are instructed to deduct their commissions from the subscriptions, and pay their own expenses. The usual plan is to send a team of six men and secure from town to town under a team manager, and to have the returned soldiers in teams use their service badge and a hard-luck story to get business. Mr. Green was moved from the west to Kingston as team manager with two women and four returned soldiers on his team. He spent all his own savings and fifty dollars of the subscription money in paying the expenses of the team. Then W. A. Losee came to Kingston, and threatened that if Green did not agree to work on with the company he would be arrested with a warrant in charge. On being threatened with arrest, Green immediately reported the facts of the case to the Kingston G.W.V.A., and after a brief investigation, the president of the association interviewed W. A. Losee, informing him that if he did not withdraw from charge, he would be himself prosecuted. The result was that Losee left the city hurriedly, after giving the police a false address, and has never been heard of since. He did not appear to prosecute when the case was brought up in court. The whole workings of the company seem to have as their object the getting of returned soldiers into their employ, and to have them run into debt. They can then have a hold upon the soldier and keep him working for them until their terms are met. They brought Green from the west to work in Kingston, and have now left him stranded in this city, without means, and with a sick wife to attend to.

From the information on hand it would appear that this is a case of exploiting the returned soldier in a despicable way, and the words of Magistrate Farrell in condemning their actions were not a bit too strong.

**EASTER THANK OFFERINGS.**

Of Sydenham and Queen Street Church Ladies.

The annual thank offering of the Women's Missionary Society of Sydenham Street church was held in the lecture room on Monday afternoon and a very large number attended to bear a most interesting address by Miss F. Asseltine. Miss Asseltine spoke on the work among the foreigners in Port William to make them good citizens and showed the problems that had to be met and overcome. Notes were given by Mrs. Burrows and Miss Pollard, and over \$125 was raised.

The Women's Missionary Society of Queen Street church held their Easter thank-offering at the home of Mrs. H. T. Coleman, "Roselawn," and it proved to be one of the best attended of the Society's ever held, and a large sum was raised. An Easter programme was provided by Mrs. H. A. Lavell, who recited one of Dr. Henry Van Dyke's stories, by Miss Jean Chown, who sang in splendid voice, and Miss Gold Barthelemy, the clever young violinist. Mrs. G. A. Bateman presided. Following the programme Mrs. Coleman served refreshments and tea was poured by Mrs. R. E. Sparks, assisted by Mrs. J. G. Elliott and Mrs. W. Crother.

**Supper and Cantata.**

There was a large attendance in Brock Street Sunday School hall on Monday evening at an Easter supper and cantata. At the supper the tables were beautifully decorated with potted plants and pussy willows. Following the supper, the choir repeated the sacred cantata "Hush," which was given a week ago in the church. The cantata was introduced by Rev. D. A. Lough, explaining it from the book of Esther.

**On His Way Home.**

Miss B. Marchand received a telegram stating that Dr. Russell Bruce has arrived in Halifax and will reach Kingston Wednesday. Dr. Bruce enlisted with the R.C.H.A. on August 17th, 1915, leaving for overseas on Nov. 12th, 1915, and has served two years and ten months in France. Dr. Bruce sailed on the Olympic.

**Keep Your Eye on Hugo.**

The late Col. Theodore Roosevelt made this remark in regard to Hon. Frank M. Hugo—a Kingstonian by birth—who is Secretary of State for New York State: "Keep your eye on that man Hugo. He is one of the most able men we have and he is well able to hold any position to which he may aspire."

**Fine Recital At Harrowsmith.**

Don't forget the grand recital in the Town Hall, Harrowsmith, on Wednesday, April 23rd.

A quiet wedding took place at Belleville on April 16th, when Miss Tessie Pearl Spyer was united in marriage with Robert Lyman Bennett, both of Madoc.

**TO ASK FOR \$1000.**

To Make Repairs to the Fair Buildings.

At a meeting of the civic property committee on Monday afternoon it was decided to recommend to council that a grant of \$1,000 be made toward the Kingston Industrial Fair, the money to be spent in completing the repairs to the buildings. The city clerk was instructed to call for tenders for next year's supply of coal. The chairman, S. S. Corbett, directed the attention of the committee to the great need of repairs to the City Hall. An estimate will be made and the work proceeded with. He also reported that \$151.44 was paid to the Utilities Commission for service. The Kingston Driving Club was granted the use of the Fair Grounds on June 3rd.

**Died at Great Bend, N.Y.**

Levi Kollar, who lived for several years with his son, O. L. Keller, of 726 Washington street, Watertown, N.Y., died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. J. D. Pennock, Great Bend, on Wednesday, of pneumonia, aged seventy-one years.

He was born on his father's farm at Sheffield, Ont. He was married to Mary M. Donese May 21st, 1870, the ceremony being performed by his uncle, Rev. Christopher Thompson. His wife died seven years ago, J. W. Keller, Deseronto, is a brother and Mrs. A. Clarke, of Arden, Ont., a sister.

**To Have Bushels of Them.**

R. J. Bushell, the energetic secretary of the Kingston Fair Association, is out with the announcement that he has engaged no fewer than thirty-seven sidehows for the next fair. He evidently believes in having bushels of them. In these latter days they are seen at every fair of any size. The people seem to want them, and the only question is as to their quality. At times they are inclined to be rather flimsy, a condition to be guarded against.

**Hamilton Veteran Tells His Friends**

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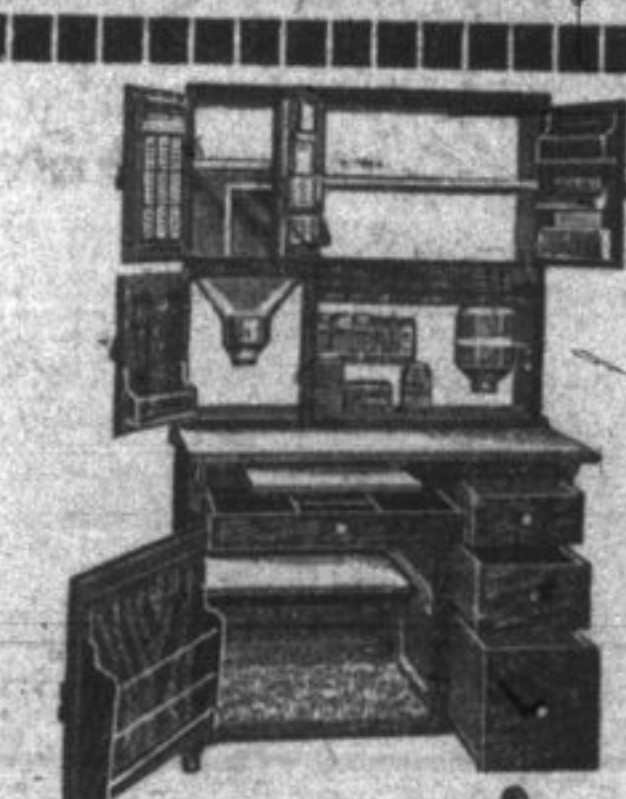
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