

OUR CIVIC GOVERNMENT.

THE COUNCIL DOES BUSINESS IN A BUSINESS-LIKE WAY.

A Gift of Bishop Cleary to the City—Turning an Old Burial Ground into a Park—The Anti-Corruption Resolutions—The Accounts Ordered to be Paid.

A regular meeting of the city council was held last evening. There were present: The mayor, Aids. Drennan, Downing, Gildersleeve, Hancock, Hobart, Muckleston, McGuire, McIntyre, Phelan, Redden, Rees, C. Robinson, W. Robinson, Shannon, Smith, Snowden, Thompson, Wilmot, and Wilson.

THE COMMUNICATIONS PRESENTED. From W. P. Lett, city clerk of Ottawa, enclosing a resolution passed by the council of that city, regretting the adoption, by the house of commons, of a resolution respecting a bill now before the imperial parliament for the prevention of crime in Ireland.

From James Agnew, city solicitor, drawing the attention of the council to an act to extend the operations of the Land Titles act, and stating that the council might pass a by-law, declaring it expedient that the provisions of the said act be extended.

From T. W. Nash, secretary of the Kingston & Pembroke railway company, asking that before action be taken in the matter of the car works exemption a deputation from the company be heard.

From the board of trade, urging the council to take early action towards the building of the proposed extension of the N. T. & Q. RR. from Yarker to Kingston.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS. Ald. Thompson—The petition of a number of ratapayers, asking that the streets near their premises be watered.—Referred.

Ald. C. F. Smith—The petition of J. Jones, asking for permission to erect a veneered building. Referred to the fire, water and gas committee.

A letter was read from his lordship Bishop Cleary relating to the conversion of the burial ground off Ordnance street into a park. The bishop stated that after a consultation with the members of his congregation, whose deceased friends were interred in the disused ground, he had decided, with their concurrence, to grant the use of the Catholic portion of the burial ground to the city council for the purpose specified.

FINANCES OF THE CITY. The report of the committee on finance, presented by Ald. McIntyre, recommended the payment of the following accounts: Pay list, \$596.13; W. Cockburn & Son, \$34; A. Caldwell & Son, \$89.37; R. W. Martin, \$172.13; P. Lawless, \$2; J. Asselstine, \$17.87; James Reid, \$42; B. Keegan, \$20; P. Lennan, \$30; D. McEwen & Son, \$11.65; Auditors' salaries, \$300; M. Cummins, \$5; C. Biddle, \$33.88; expenses of deputation to Ottawa agent dry dock, \$100; James Agnew, \$1.30; John Lemmon, \$30; Mrs. H. Naylor, \$12; Battersea stage driver, \$30; K. & P. R. Co., \$4.65; remissions of taxes, \$5.81; Britton & Whiting, \$22; Mrs. F. Summerville, for injuries received while walking on a defective crossing, \$100.—Report adopted.

STREETS COMMITTEE'S REPORT. Ald. Thompson submitted the report on streets and improvements, which recommended that Mrs. F. Somerville receive \$105 as compensation for injuries received through a bad crossing. The report was adopted.

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tioner to deal with the coal matter, it would be a judicious step. After considerable discussion it was agreed to let the reading of Ald. Smith's by-law stand until the next meeting.

A BOOM FOR QUEEN'S.

The Montreal Committee at Work—It Will Help the Jubilee Fund.

The Montreal Herald contains a lengthy editorial on Queen's university, from which we clip the following paragraph: "It has been conducted on such liberal principles that it has supported students and graduates of every class and creed, and from the character of its work it is now universally recognized as the university of Eastern Ontario.

"At the McGill graduates' dinner the chairman and Sir William Dawson made overtures, half in fun, half in earnest, to Queen's, to unite with McGill, and Principal Grant pleasantly responded that he was quite willing, if Kingston were agreed upon as the site. Talk of this kind will, of course, never amount to anything.

"The Montreal branch of the committee meet this week to arrange for its portion of the work. Montreal will, of course, do its share. Many of our citizens will cheerfully assist Queen's, because of its connections and associations, and the gallant fight it has made with scanty means and the independent stand against over-centralization which it has taken.

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IMMORAL LITERATURE.

VISITING DOCTORS ACCUSED OF OFFENSIVE CONDUCT.

Distributing Hand-bills and Pamphlets Whose Reading is Declared to be Corrupting—Can the City do Anything?—Matter Referred to the City Solicitor.

At the council meeting last evening, the mayor stated that complaints had been made to him about the distribution of immoral hand-bills and pamphlets throughout the city.

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VACANCY IN ONTARIO WARD.

Judge McGuire Resigns His Seat—Motion of Regret by the Council.

Judge McGuire, who has represented Ontario ward at the council board, tendered his resignation last evening.

After it had been read Ald. McIntyre moved, seconded by Ald. Shannon, "That this council begs to place on record its regret at hearing of the resignation of Ald. McGuire.

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PROHIBITION AND NATICK. Done Well for the Town and the People—Facts for Commendation.

Near Boston is a town mostly devoted to making shoes. It had the usual proportion of grog-shops and a rather unusual stagnation in business, as evinced by the little demand for real estate and the readiness of almost everybody to sell.

PERSONAL MENTION. People Whose Movements, Sayings and Doings Attract Attention.

The governor-general leaves Toronto for Ottawa on the 25th. Miss Tilton, Theodore's daughter, who has studied painting in Paris, is now in Chicago with a married sister.

Lord Salisbury's health is breaking. He looks ill, and has an air of age and debility. It is reported that he is unable to longer stand the strain of the duties of office, and that he desires to retire from the leadership of the government party in favor of Lord Hartington.

Dr. Fulton, professor of surgery in Trinity medical school, Toronto, has died of inflammation of the lungs. He was highly respected as a teacher and practitioner of medicine.

Mrs. Grant has just received from the publisher a check for \$33,384.53, as additional profits on the sale of "General Grant's Memoirs."

Misrepresentations. Being very freely made by agents of other companies, as to their comparisons of cash profits with those of the Canada Life, and exceptional selected examples of these being published by them, the following is given by the Canada Life company as a correct statement of all the actual cash profits given by the companies named during the last seven years, taken from the government returns:

Percentage of total cash profits given by each company to the premiums paid to each during the years 1870 to 1886, inclusive: Canada Life... 35.5 per cent. Mutual Life of N.Y. ... 25.6 per cent. New York Life ... 19.5 per cent. Ontario Mutual ... 14.3 per cent.

The Canada Life claims that these figures prove the surpassing advantages of that company, and warns the public against relying upon any examples where agents show different results from the above by the use of specially selected exceptional cases, or examples of what their companies formerly did but are not doing now.

Assurers joining the Canada Life assurance company at the present time will share a four years profits at the division in 1890.

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Horstler's Acid Phosphate. IS NERVOUS IRRITABILITY. Dr. B. B. Grover, Rushford, N.Y., says: "I have prescribed it for nervous irritability, with marked results."

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Weather Probabilities. Moderate to fresh winds, fair weather with showers in a few places; stationary or a little lower temperature.

RISEN FROM THE ASHES.

QUEEN ST. CHURCH OPENING IS HAPPILY CONTINUED.

The Festival of Last Evening—The Congregation Complimented Upon its Energy and Success—The Services of the Choir Fully Appreciated.

There were only about two hundred people at the tea meeting in Queenstreet Methodist church last night.

Those who found their way thither had a very enjoyable time. The ladies of the church had prepared for company and were ready to give all-comers a royal reception.

And while the tea was being discussed there was conversation and merriment. "Laugh and grow fat" is an injunction that the Queen street people most righteously follow.

Along about 8:30 o'clock the company returned to the audience room, where, for several hours, they were entertained by addresses and music.

Rev. Dr. Nelles, the last speaker, made some cheery reference to the church, its pastor and people, and then touched on the home rule question. He claimed that he was a sort of agnostic on that subject. He really didn't know anything beyond the fact that Ireland wanted something and needed something.

During the evening there was a sufficiency of good music. Captain Crawford and Mrs. Hawley offered solos, the choir sang effectively, and Mr. Horace Reynier performed several solos on the organ with his now well-recognized ability.

MARINE PARAGRAPHS. Interesting Items Gathered Along the Harbour—Vessel Movements.

The schr. O.S. Storrs is loading lumber for Oswego. H. H. Warner's \$50,000 steam yacht Sietta is off for Lake Superior.

The schr. Acaica, Julia and Katie Eccles, arrived today from Toronto. The str. St. Lawrence had a trial trip on Saturday afternoon. She is in splendid working order.

George Hall & Co., having purchased the steamer Stranger, will fit her up for passenger business between Ogdensburg and Alexandria Bay.

The coal in the schr. Queen of the Lakes, which was sunk last fall near Presque Isle, will be sold by auction. The boat will be repaired here. She was owned in Toronto and was insured for \$2,000 against total loss.

They Will be Quiet. A prominent Orangeman to-day observed though an anti-Orangian public meeting, for Wednesday evening, in the City hall, was talked of, it would not be held.

For the Holiday. The Park Nine have completed arrangements with the Pastimes, of Ogdensburg, for the opening of their new base ball grounds on Tuesday, May 24th; entrance on Johnston street above Division.

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