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WITH BARE KNUCKLES.

A good many people are puzzled about voting on the sewerage question on the 8th of August. This is not surprising. When the council itself is somewhat at sea, it can hardly be expected that the people will keep quite within their depth.

A feature in the affair likely to cause more perplexity than before, to the already bewildered ratepayers, is the bare knuckle fight between the council and the Board of Health. It will be seen in another column that Coun. Carr, struck from the shoulder with rather an unexpected vim. The council backed him nobly and ordered the Board to attend better to its work or go. There were satirical cries, "Where is the Board of Health?"

The council would have done wiser, and have won more sympathy had they found out the Board's inefficiency, before they allowed themselves to be committed to its sewerage proposal.

We are disposed to think that the gravamen of the Board's offence lies in that it recommended the putting in of sewers. Some of the council thought there would be no need of sewers if the Board had attended to its work in the past. It was not necessary for the council to accept the Board's recommendation, however, as to sewers. The Board gave figures showing the poor health of the town, and recommended a course to the council. The council adopted that course which had also been endorsed by the Board of Trade.

The recent cases of diphtheria and typhoid will probably lead people to vote for sewers, who perhaps would have cast their votes differently a few days ago. Anyone can see that there is no very marked sympathy in favor of the council's proposal. Their vacillating policy may be the coffin for the sewerage idea this year.

By their vote the people will be asked to allow the council to issue debentures for \$10,000 to put in sewerage to that amount at once. The council holds that that amount will cover what portions of the town absolutely need sewerage.

It is well to remember that the sewerage is put in not for convenience's sake, but for health's sake. The healthful portions of the town should not oppose the scheme, because it does not reach them so long as the portion of the town liable to breed disease is served.

The public complain that the information which the council has afforded them is too meagre to allow of their casting an intelligent vote. There is a point in this.

They must consider whether, if we kill the sewerage idea now, we may not all die of an epidemic before we get another opportunity to vote.

English Elections.

London, July 17.—At 6.15 this evening the following were the total number of members of parliament elected by the different parties:

Conservatives	340
Unionists	70
Government total	410
Liberals	173
McCarthyites	68
Parliamentaries	12
Labor	2

Opposition total, 255
Net unionists gains, 90.
Unionist majority, 155.

Conservative majority over all parties, five, placing the total number of members of parliament at 670.

The Right Honorable Joseph Chamberlain's colonial utterance was addressed in a letter to the Birmingham electors, stating that he accepted the colonial secretaryship in Lord Salisbury's cabinet with two objects in view: Firstly, to see whether something cannot be done to bring self-governing colonies and ourselves closer together; Secondly, to develop the resources of the crown colonies. This is taken to mean that Hon. Mr. Chamberlain is an earnest friend of imperial support to the fast Atlantic steamship service, and to the Pacific cable scheme. Some, however, go so far as to say that it means much more, foreshadowing a scheme of inter-imperial tariff preferences, as outlined by the Ottawa intercolonial conference.

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Tobique Valley Railway.

A special to the St. John Sun from Ottawa says:—The affairs of the Tobique Valley Railway Co., which incidentally received some attention at the hands of the public accounts committee last session, are likely to be further ventilated in the courts. That at least is the mission upon which John E. Stewart, ex-president of the railway, is now in Ottawa. The complaint that he has to make against his late co-directors is quite a serious one. He says that he resigned the presidency of the road on the 18th of February, 1892, having held the position from the organization of the company in 1886. The return of the railway's business transactions for the fiscal year of 1891 is signed "John E. Stewart," and is shown to have been duly sworn to before Ald. W. D. Morris of this city on the 5th of April, 1892. Mr. Stewart claims that the signature appended to that return is not in his own hand-writing. He says that at the annual meeting in 1892, the statement of the account submitted to the directors showed a sum of \$29,500 as having been expended more than he thought was actually disbursed on the work that year, and he accordingly refused to sign the report. His examination of the returns in the department today showed him that the report which bears what he calls his forged signature, includes this amount to which he objected to certify. Your correspondent was permitted by the deputy minister of railways to investigate these records in the department. The signature to the return of 1891 differs in appearance from the handwriting of the signature appended to the return of 1890, yet it probably would require expert testimony to prove that they were not signed by the same person. There is this, however, which Mr. Stewart in his examination of the record failed to notice when he pointed out to your correspondent the impropriety and improbability of his signing a return as president nearly two months after he ceased to hold that office, namely, that the body of this return, which is in the hand-writing of an official of the department since deceased, contains in parenthesis after Mr. Stewart's name the words, "President on June 30th, 1891." This, while, of course, it would not justify any such act as Mr. Stewart charges against some member of the company or other, shows that the care was taken to make the record authentic so far as severance of his connection with the directorate was concerned. Mr. Stewart's further statement, which, he says, he can easily prove, is that he was not in or near Ottawa on the 8th of April, 1892, the date on which the signature appears to have been attested to by Mr. Morris. The latter has no record of attestation, and, of course, at this date has no recollection of it whatever. As evidence of his resignation at the time mentioned Mr. Stewart shows a bill of injunction against the company in a considerable amount of money which he had taken out and sworn to before a magistrate in St. John, N. B., on the 18th of February, 1892.

Audacious Attempt to Rob.

The Fredericton Gleaner is authority for the following:—A couple of tramps called on Colonel Hewitson at his home in Doak settlement the other day and asked for, something to eat. After sharing the colonel's hospitality they looked about them to see what they could nab. Their eyes, for one thing, fell upon the medals, which the colonel holds for his bravery in the campaigns in which he has taken part. They opened up a conversation concerning them, and the colonel, always proud to relate the facts concerning them, brought them down and entered into the history of the engagements in which his behavior had been rewarded with these medals. The tramps were all attention, but it was of that kind which concerned itself with how the medals could be made their property. One of them had some chloroform in his pocket and saturating his handkerchief with it, he held it over the Colonel's nose. He went into a stupor, and then the tramps began to ransack the house in search of other treasure. They spent too long in this however. By the time they had got through with their search and were preparing to walk away with the medals, the Colonel, who had been given a very small quantity of chloroform, regained consciousness, and seeing what his visitors were about to do seized a rifle, which fortunately was loaded, and compelled them to disgorge. He then ordered them to travel as fast as their legs could carry them, and never stopped until they got out of sight and out of range of his rifle. They were badly frightened, turning their pockets inside out, giving up everything they had stolen, took to their heels and never stopped running till they got out of the range of the Colonel's rifle. It was fortunate the colonel regained consciousness when he did and had presence of mind enough to assume the defensive, otherwise he would have lost all the valuables he had, and all the medals he prized so highly.

A Human Fiend.

The murderous atrocities of the fiend Holmes are so awful one can hardly believe that human nature can be as vile as depicted in this man's character. Some time ago the bones of two girls named Pietzel were found in the cellar at 16 St. Vincent street, Toronto. It appears that H. H. Holmes had exercised some unaccountable influence over Mr. and Mrs. Pietzel who lived in Chicago. It is generally supposed that he murdered Pietzel and tried to murder Mrs. Pietzel. All these crimes were for the purpose of securing insurance money. It is said that Holmes committed ten murders in all. The lawyers are having a great fight over Holmes. He has pleaded guilty of conspiracy to defraud insurance companies. He is now in Philadelphia. Every effort is being made to extradite him to Toronto to stand his trial for the murder of the Pietzels. It is said he bears British justice, and the New York Port recommends that he be extradited, for if his case is tried in the states, it will take three years to hang him, as it was with Dr. Buchanan.

Resigned.

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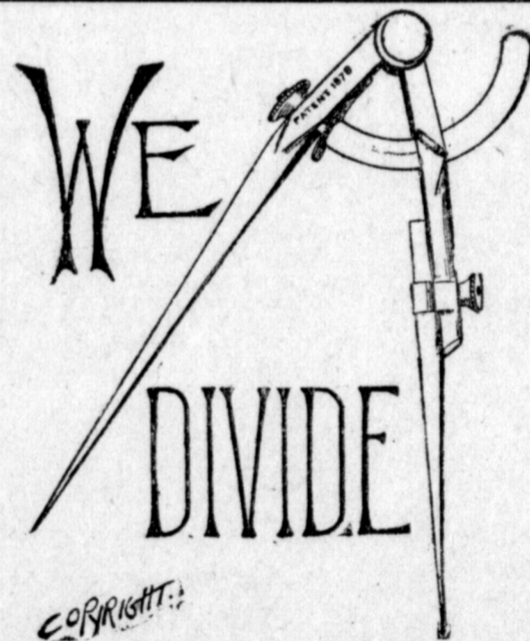
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