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## AN EXCITING SESSION.

### THE SALE OF LIQUOR IN TOWN AND THE DRUNKENNESS ON THE STREETS

Bring Forth Indignant Protest—Indecent Exhibitions with Horses in Town, Calls for the Passing of a By-Law.

At the meeting of the town council on Monday night there were present His Worship Mayor Belyea, and Councillors G. E. Balmain, J. T. A. Dibblee, R. B. Jones, James Carr, A. E. Jones and J. A. Lindsay. The first event was the election of John Tattersall as chief of the fire department at the same salary as last year.

Coun. Lindsay announced that the town scale was sold to George F. Smith at \$81.00. Coun. Lindsay, in speaking of Coun. Carr's claim for work done and materials provided, for the Jubilee Celebration in 1897, said that there were at least five other bills that had at least as good a claim for payment as Coun. Carr's, and the payment of one involved the payment of all. No motion to pay the claim was made.

The Salvation Army had a proposition to make. Their Provincial Officer is coming to town, and while the usual fee for the town hall is \$5.00 per night it was decided to give it to them for \$3.00. It was also decided to give the Hall to the Army at the old figure, \$8.00 per month, by the year, if they wanted it.

Coun. Lindsay told the board that Dr. Hand, Chairman of the Board of Health, had complained of the condition of the old tank at the Lower Corner. The tank is fed by a running spring and frequently overflows and floods the street. It keeps the street wet most of the summer and the water lying there becomes stagnant and makes the district unhealthy.

Coun. Carr said there was a well in the immediate vicinity that caused as much trouble as the old unused tank. On motion it was decided that the street committee make connection from the well and tank to the sewer at once.

Coun. R. B. Jones called attention to the custom of certain town employees of opening hydrants to flush the pipes and allowing the water to run on the streets. On his own street (Elm street) this had been done and the whole middle of the street washed out. A hose should be attached to the hydrant and the water carried away through the side gutters. He had spoken to Bobbie White about this but the practise had not been given up.

Coun. Dibblee said this thing had been done without his authority. We pay large sums in salaries for our water works service and we should have better service than we get. Mr. Munro should exercise more judgment and see that our streets are not ruined by carelessness. He thought there was a good deal of hap-bazard in the management of the water works system and it was time to call a halt to reckless employees. He thought it would do some of the town employees good to call them to book sharply for carelessness.

Mr. Munro, being heard, said that a gutter was sadly needed on the north side of Elm street to carry off the water. To carry the water from the hydrant at the top of Elm street to a gutter would require 250 to 300 feet of hose and it would cost money to haul that hose to the hydrant and a team could not always be procured. When air gets into the pipes it always goes to the highest points of the water pipe system and the two hydrants that have to be opened most frequently are the one Coun. R. B. Jones had mentioned and the one at the college. At both of these places the street gutters are practically useless for carrying off the water and he suggested that they be deepened and extended.

Coun. Carr said it would cost too much money to make a gutter on Elm street.

On motion of Coun. Balmain the fire committee were given leave to purchase a new body for the new gear of the hose waggon of No. 2 company.

Coun. R. B. Jones in speaking of the report of the Scott Act Inspector said he saw no fines in for last month.

Coun. Lindsay "There is no evidence of liquor being sold."

Coun. Dibblee—"Are not the drunken men on the streets sufficient evidence?"

Coun. R. B. Jones said there had been more drunkenness on the streets in the last few weeks than for years and years. On Sunday April 28th, he saw seven or eight drunken men down at the railroad track, on Mr. McLaughlan's corner he saw four or five more drunks and on the street a couple of fellows were embracing each other. Later

that evening two drunken men drove furiously up Elm street. People coming from church that evening were crowded off the sidewalk by intoxicated men. He was informed that there was a gambling den started in town, where young men gambled and drank till the small hours of the morning. The sooner something was done about these things the better.

Coun. Dibblee said he had seen a good deal of drunkenness. He had told the marshal that if he could not handle the work they would give him assistance. The condition of things in town was a disgrace to the officers of the law. It was the duty of the marshal to look up the drunks. He was sorry for the drunken men but the Marshall should do his duty. The condition of the town in this respect was worse than it had ever been. There was evidence on the streets every day that the Scott Act was violated. If the Marshall can't fulfil the duties of Chief of Police and Scott Act Inspector, let us relieve him of the Inspectorship, and if he can't fulfil the duties Marshall let us then relieve him of that office and look for another man.

Coun. R. B. Jones thought the sale of liquor was the cause of the trouble, and if that was stopped the duties of the marshal would be easier.

Coun. Carr said there was a good deal of talk about drunkenness. Whether there was really more than there used to be or whether it is only in the imagination of the people who were opposed to the present system, he could not say. On the Sunday in question he saw no drunkenness, but on Monday he heard a good deal of it. The council had the power to stop it and it should be stopped.

Coun. Lindsay said Coun. R. B. Jones should lay his charges before the police committee in a formal way and ask for an investigation. People who were looking for trouble could always find it, and he thought some people were rather anxious to find trouble in this matter. He saw no drunkenness in town.

The Mayor said he saw no drunkenness on the Sunday in question, but he must accept the statement of the men who had seen it. Sometimes people's memories are short. With regard to the charge that there never was so much drunkenness as at present, he had to say that he could well remember years ago when there was much more. Rum had always been sold here and always would be. He thought the condition of the town was quite up to that of other towns. Every effort should be made to enforce our laws, including the Scott Act, and he would give these efforts his moral support.

Coun. A. E. Jones said if the town was not so well looked after as in other years it was because the Marshall had no constables to assist him. "Our whole blooming police force is composed of only one man." If he had some assistance he would be all right. Just at present, when the corporation drive was passing, one must expect to see the boys taking a few.

Coun. Lindsay said the chairman of the police committee asked the Marshall at the beginning of the year if he wanted some assistants and he replied that there were some men appointed last year and those were just the men who got drunk and he wanted no more of that kind. The talk tonight would do a lot of good, Coun. Lindsay thought, as it would teach offenders that violation of the law could not go on without the council finding it out and discussing it. He would do all he could to root out the evil. So long as the town has control of the enforcement of the Scott Act some fault will be found by the people who want Mr. Colpitts to be inspector.

On motion of Coun. Balmain seconded by Coun. Dibblee the order of business was suspended while the Mayor presented to Harry McLean, a soldier of the Second Canadian Contingent to South Africa, a watch, the gift of the town and county. It will be remembered that Mr. McLean did not return with the other boys and so did not receive his watch when they received theirs.

The question of approving a site for the erection of an oil tank by the Imperial Oil Company, was brought up and discussed. It was the opinion of Coun. Balmain that no step should be taken that would give the Imperial Company a monopoly of the oil business in Woodstock; that nothing should be done to prevent the firms represented by J. S. Eagles and E. R. Teed here from storing oil in barrels in town. A site was recommended on Connor and Mill streets.

Coun. Dibblee explained that the approval of a site gave no monopoly, and the right to store quantities of oil in barrels could be given to other firms by the council.

On motion of Coun. R. B. Jones the following resolution was carried:—  
This council approves of the site and the

building of a tank to be built by the Imperial Oil Company subject to conditions approved by the board of fire underwriters of the province and to the bye law of town hereafter to be made.

Couns. Lindsay and Dibblee were appointed a committee to act with the clerk in drafting a bye law.

Coun. Carr begged to resign his position as chairman of the street committee.

Coun. Lindsay moved the resignation be accepted but the motion was not seconded.

Couns. A. E. Jones and Dibblee thought the proffer of Coun. Carr's resignation a serious thing and they asked him to explain why he wished to retire from that position.

Coun. Carr said he desired to resign because the control of the town team had been taken from him. He had ordered the driver to sprinkle the streets on very dusty days, and later in the day had learned that his orders had been countermanded by the chairman of the fire committee. He refused to play second fiddle to the chairman of any other committee.

Coun. Balmain, chairman of the fire committee, explained that on Thursday last, a very windy day, the chief of the fire department and himself decided that the town horse should not be allowed to go any distance from the engine house, as a delay of a few minutes in getting the fire equipment to a fire would probably be fraught with disastrous results to the town. He tried to find Coun. Carr on that day but could not so he had to take things into his own hands and order the team in. The fire committee had the first claim on the team and it was right that it should have. On Saturday last, another very windy day, Chief Tattersall told him he would bet there would be an alarm before six o'clock, and sure enough there was, and though he had ordered the driver to stay at the engine house, when the alarm was rung in he found that the team was away down town at the order of Coun. Carr. He regretted that there was any friction but must insist that the fire committee have the first claim on the team. The council would not accept Coun. Carr's resignation. The matter will probably come up at the next meeting.

Coun. Lindsay called the attention of the council to a certain place in town where most indecent and disjuring exhibitions were carried on by the owner of a stud horse in the service of mares. Many complaints had been made but the disgusting exhibitions still continued. One man, living in the vicinity had stated that unless the thing were stopped he would have to sell his dwelling and move to another part of town, because he could not bring his children up in a place where such vulgar and indecent sights were before their eyes constantly. He thought the man who made the complaint was very long suffering, as some men in the same position would raise the devil about it.

Couns. Carr and R. B. Jones said that many complaints had been made about these disgusting exhibitions and something should be done about it.

On motion of Coun. Lindsay a by-law was passed imposing a fine of not less than \$20 and not more than \$50 for any such offence.

Coun. Balmain desired to state that in complimenting Treasurer Garden on the excellent form in which his report was made out he had stated that Mr. Garden was the only treasurer who had made his report out in such careful manner. He had since learned that Treasurer Fisher had made his report in same manner and for aught he knew Treasurer Carvell may have done the same. He desired to apologise for any injustice he had done past treasurers.

The question of offering \$1000 to the county to assist in the erection of a jail in the town was laid over to the meeting on Thursday night.

H. N. Atherton was appointed constable. The Poor Committee were empowered to ask for tenders for supplying groceries for the poor farm.

A meeting of the Council will be held on Thursday night the 9th of May.

### Death of George Wilson.

George Wilson died at his home at Bellville, on Wednesday last, at the age of 74 years. He leaves four sons, William, of Oakville, Allen, of Watson Settlement, George of Bellville, Fred who resides in Colorado, and four daughters, Mrs. William Bell, of Oakville, Mrs. Wesley McLellan, of Houlton, and a married daughter at Canterbury and one at Presque Isle. The funeral on Saturday was largely attended. The pall bearers were William Currie, David Smith, William Gay, George Gartley, Thomas Watt and Clarke Watt. The remains were interred at the parish church cemetery below Woodstock. The service was conducted by the Rev. A. W. Teed.

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