

CITY COUNCIL MEETING.

Resolution Adopted Postponing the Sale of Sewerage Bonds Until the Meacy is Actually Needed—Other Matters.

City Council held a regular meeting Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock.

Present—Mayor W. B. Boyle, Aldermen H. D. Barnett, J. H. Chandler, P. P. Finn, R. F. Haynsworth, H. C. Haynsworth, E. H. Rhame and R. K. Wilder.

Absent—Alderman R. L. Wright. Minutes of May 22d were read and approved.

Mr. Barnett, for the finance committee, reported the clerk and treasurer's report for May examined and found correct; and that all claims referred to them had been approved.

Mr. Chandler, for the committee of public works, reported that a surveyor had been employed to take the levels of Saratoga branch.

Mr. Haynsworth (R. F.), for the police committee, reported purchase of summer uniforms for the police force.

A petition was presented from citizens, requesting the removal of the laundry from the corner of Oakland avenue and Washington street, to some other part of the city where there will be less danger to health from overflow of sewerage.

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A second bond was submitted by Mr. J. D. Smithdeal for performance of contract as lessee of the Opera House.

Report of Commissioners of Public Works for May was presented and received as information.

A letter from Mr. T. B. Jenkins suggesting the use of Tarvia on the streets was referred to the committee of public works.

Request of Mr. R. H. Bigham for a drain on Oakland avenue, was referred to the committee of public works to consider and report.

A request was presented from the Board of Health asking that council immediately repeal Section No. 60 of the City Code which forbids excavations in the earth during June, July, August and September.

The mayor reminded council of the offer made by the Atlantic Coast Line Company to allow the use of the grounds around the passenger station as a park, if the city will take charge of it and improve it.

Mr. Finn brought up the question of selling the sewer bonds voted in December, and the matter was fully discussed.

"Whereas, the financial prospects of the city of Sumter appear to be such that it will be possible, by judicious management, to build a sewerage system at this time, and pay for the same within three years, from current income.

"And, whereas, it is our policy to avoid any increase of fixed expenses and bonded indebtedness of the city beyond absolute necessity, be it, therefore

"Resolved, That we do not now offer for sale the \$50,000 bonds voted by the citizens of Sumter on December 18, 1906; but that the said bonds be held in reserve as a basis of credit, on which to raise funds as may become necessary for the construction of the said sewer system."

The following claims were referred to the finance committee: Sumter Brick Works... \$ 8.70 Durant Hardware Company... 21.18 E. L. Vogel... 8.90 Craig Furniture Company... 211.00 T. B. Jenkins... 8.50 Booth Live Stock Company... 3.45 Von Ohlsen & Shirer... 7.75 Whilden Furniture Company... 136.50 Council then adjourned.

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It is a well-to-do citizen in this country whose earnings through life reach \$50,000. What of the man who, in payment for a single service, taking only a few weeks or days, may collect as much as twenty prosperous men earn in long lives of toil?

That the day of the million-dollar fee has come is shown by one bona fide and another partially authenticated instance recently disclosed. That James B. Dill of New York received a cool million for settling a steel corporation dispute has been asserted as a fact; that William Nelson Cornwell made \$1,000,000, or possibly \$2,000,000, by negotiating the sale of the Panama canal is a sub rosa assertion.

One of the most difficult achievements of the century was the selling of the Panama canal to the United States, and well-informed persons agree that even if William Nelson Cornwell did not get \$1,000,000 or \$2,000,000 for it, he earned it.

He even risked his life to make his negotiations successful. One day while the treaty was under discussion in Washington it looked very much as if the whole project would fall through. But one man could save it.

Where was Cornwell? Friends of the canal found upon inquiring at his hotel that he was in bed very ill, with a temperature of 103. Yet upon learning of the situation, he arose, drove to Secretary Hay's office, stayed with him an hour, then returned to the hotel and lay battling with typhoid fever for six weeks.

But the canal was bought. Before a senate committee Mr. Cornwell admitted having received \$200,000, and said he expected more. How much? Only the gossip of Wall street attempts to answer, and this places the total amount at almost \$2,000,000. The canal cost \$40,000,000.

This isn't Mr. Cornwell's first big fee. For reorganizing the firm of Decker, Howell & Co., in 1891, he received from the court \$250,000. He is said to have got a \$100,000 fee on another occasion.

One of the deepest muddles in American industrial history was the series of disputes between Andrew Carnegie and Henry C. Frick over the transfer of the properties merged in the United States Steel Corporation. There are those who say that James B. Dill—he has since become a judge on the New Jersey bench at a comparatively small salary—was the only man in the country who could have untangled the mess; that the job was worth the \$1,000,000 he received.

The group of attorneys who secured payment by the government of the long-deferred claims of the Cherokee Indians some time ago, amounting to \$15,000,000, were allowed 15 per cent. of the whole, or nearly \$750,000. Of this fee, it is said, a great part went to one man or firm.

A fee of \$800,000 is said to have been paid to a New York lawyer, William D. Guthrie, for breaking the will of the late Henry B. Plant, owner of a system of steamships, railways and hotels. Of the \$24,000,000 estate the widow's share was \$8,000,000, and, as this was tied up in trust, she engaged counsel to secure its release, giving him 10 per cent. of her share.

Another large attorney's fee recently granted in a court decision at Seattle, Wash., was that of United States Senator S. H. Piles, who will get \$450,000 in the famous John Sullivan will case. The estate is valued at \$900,000, and two of the heirs gave deeds of conveyance to their counsel for half the amount.

Modest in all things, the city of Milwaukee, Wis., would, of course, be expected to furnish examples of modest legal fees. Witness these charges in the Schandeln will case, recently closed: Frisbee & Radfield, attorneys for Mrs. Clara S. Heyl, \$107,000; Quarles, Spencer & Quarles, for the proponents, \$150,000; Winkler, Flinders, Bortum & Fawcett, for the contestants, \$500,000; A. W. Hard, guardian for the Frank children, \$20,000, and George P. Miller, guardian for Elick Heyl, \$15,000.

For a single argument before the United States supreme court, Joseph H. Choate, former ambassador to Great Britain, once received \$200,000. The effect of the argument was the declaring unconstitutional of the income tax.

It has been stated repeatedly that Attorney D. M. Delmas was assured of a \$100,000 fee for his work in defending Harry K. Thaw.

It is not alone the law that offers opportunities for making tremendous sums quickly. Medicine is a profession quite as rich in possibilities. A Philadelphia physician, the late Dr. William Pepper, it is understood, charged Robert Simpson \$1,500 for an examination lasting about a minute, and Dr. S. Weir Mitchell is said to have been given a fee of \$15,000 by one patient.

When America learned that Dr. Adolph Lorenz of Vienna received

\$20,000 for setting the hip of little Lolita Armour of Chicago and later pay for further attention spelling his total fees to \$78,000, there was amazement, and yet this would not create surprise in Europe, especially in court circles.

When the present King Edward of England, then Prince of Wales, was seriously ill years ago, Dr. William Jenner pulled him through, and for four weeks' attendance was paid \$50,000. The physician who attended the father of Emperor William of Germany in his last illness—Dr. S. Morrell Mackenzie—presented a bill for \$100,000, which was paid without a murmur.

Prof. Zacherine of Moscow got \$75,000 for two days' attendance on the father of the present Czar.

Dr. Thomas Dimsdale for vaccinating the Empress Catherine I at St. Petersburg got \$50,000, and a pension of \$2,500 for life.

A bill for \$190,000 was sent by Dr. Walter C. Browning of Philadelphia to the estate of Senator C. L. Magee, at Pittsburg. It was brought out in evidence that Senator Magee had once declared his intention of giving Dr. Browning a fee of \$1,000,000, and had added: "I intend to beat Peter Widener's record. Widener, you know, paid his doctor \$800,000."

A review of high voluntary fees seems to show that the father whose child has been saved by a physician is especially liberal. Gratitude of the Chicago father to the Vienna "bloodless" surgeon was eclipsed by that of Mr. Flagler of New York, who gave Dr. Shelton securities worth \$7,000 for curing his daughter. The late Shah of Persia paid Dr. Galezowski of Paris \$25,000 for curing his son of an affliction of the eye.

After the death of Marshall Field, the Chicago merchant prince, his physician, Dr. Frank Billings, filed in the probate court a claim for \$25,000, a bill for seven days' service.

For 100 days' attendance upon the late William L. Rainey, a millionaire cork manufacturer in Philadelphia, Dr. Samuel T. Barnes made out a bill amounting to \$32,000. This charge of \$330 a day cannot be noted as among the modest claims of practitioners.

That payment of large fees may be exacted even when cures are not effected was shown by the recent decision of a French court in the case of George Crocker of California against Dr. Doyen. Mr. Crocker sought to recover a \$20,000 fee which he paid in 1904 for having his wife treated for cancer—treatment which he asserted was unsuccessful. The court held that the Paris physician had done his best to fulfill the contract and that he was entitled to the \$20,000 fee.—Chicago Chronicle.

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DISPENSARY MAKING MONEY.

Orangeburg, June 12.—The Orangeburg county dispensary board has just issued their report of the business done in the month of May and it makes a good showing. The report shows that the total cash sales for the month amounted to \$13,099.38, which yielded a net profit of \$2,632.17 for the uses of the city and county.

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JAPANESE REPORTS.

Washington Officials Do Not Credit Reports of Removal of Aoki.

Washington, June 17.—Little credence in official circles is placed in the report that Viscount Aoki, the Japanese ambassador, is about to be succeeded by Baron Kaneko, the former Minister of Justice. The opinion here is that the reports are the result of political imagination, having originated with the Progressive party. The organ of that party has been criticizing the present ambassador for his alleged defeat in the San Francisco-Japanese controversy.

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