

EMPLOY ALIENS TO BUILD GRAVEL ROAD SEWELL TO BRANDON

Suggestion of Alderman at Committee Meeting—How Do Indigents Return Across Sea?

Inquiries are to be made of the Dominion Government to ascertain why it is that indigents assisted to their former homes in the old land, find their way back to Brandon. At the meeting of the committees of the City Council on Friday night it was stated that several persons with wooden arms or legs had been sent across the big waters at the expense of the city funds and that these same personages have returned and some of them are again asking for relief. The Immigration Department will be asked to explain how it is that indigents obtain access to Canadian shores.

The report of the relief officer, Dr. Bolton, dealt with some families to the support of which the city is a large contributor.

The statutory (?) request for the plans for the cemetery received the customary answer, i.e., progress was reported.

One of the boilers at the pumping station has bagged, and will be repaired at an estimated cost of \$250.

The fire department have a new team of horses for which the sum of \$550 is to be paid.

The clothing for the policemen is under consideration. Tenders are to be called for from local tailors, and samples of cloth submitted.

A difficulty has arisen in connection with the licensing of newsboys. The Children's Protective Act is a factor which was not reckoned on at the

start. In the meantime the badges, costing \$18.75, are billed for.

A request for payment of damages for injuries sustained by Mrs. F. Beer by a fall on the ice at the corner of Seventh street and Rosser was filed.

Ald. Fisher intimated that he will have motions to come before the City Council asking that the Dominion Government be petitioned to employ some of the interned aliens here on the construction of a gravelled road between Sewell Camp and the city of Brandon.

Another suggestion is that the Manitoba Legislature be asked to consider the location of a prison farm at Brandon for the housing of short term offenders and utilizing their labor.

A suggestion advanced by Ald. McKenzie that the question of the removal of the Agricultural College to Brandon be urged on the legislature by the Brandon City Council, was not acted on, as Mayor Cater reported that he had discussed the matter with Premier Norris on Friday morning, and the Premier had assured him that the time was inopportune.