

1919

-: THE OTTAWA IMPROVEMENT COMMISSION :-

R E P O R T O F

A. STUART

Superintendent

for the year

ending

31st March 1919.

Ottawa February 1st. 1920.

To the Chairman  
and Members of the Ottawa  
Improvement Commission.

Gentlemen:-

I beg to submit for your consideration my report upon the work of The Ottawa Improvement Commission, during the fiscal year terminating on the 31st March 1919, under the following headings, namely:-

1. Statement in detail of the expenditure upon New Park.
2. Statement in detail of the cost of Maintenance of the various Parks and Driveways, for the year.
3. Detailed statement of all other expenditures.
4. Statement in detail of the number, variety and location of Bedding Plants and Bulbs planted during the year.

All of which I beg respectfully to submit.

Your obedient servant

Superintendent O.I.C.

**S T A T E M E N T "A"**

**Being a statement in detail**

**of the Expenditure on**

**NEW WORK**

**during the fiscal year**

**ending**

**31st. March 1919.**

**including**

- 1. The Widening of Rockcliffe Driveway**
- 2. Retopping Footpath & Roadway Rideau Canal Driveway between  
Laverly street and the Subway.**
- 3. The erection of Artificial Stone stairs along Rideau Canal  
Driveway.**
- 4. Expenditure on City streets and roads contiguous to Rockcliffe**

**-:Rockcliffe Driveway Widening:-**

The work in connection with the widening of the Rockcliffe Driveway from the Coltrin Road extension to Acacia Avenue was completed by the installation of a lighting system on the western side, the erection of a retaining wall at the northern end and the removal of some overhanging rock. The expenditure was \$2,804.08, detailed as follows:-

Labour & Cartage		\$2,178.00	
Hardware	McDougal's Ltd.	40.00	
Lumber	McAuliffe, Davis Co.	41.70	
Brackets	Eclipse Manf'g Co.	270.00	
Wiring &c.	Ottawa Electric Co.	214.98	
Supplies	Empire Manf'g Co.	<u>59.40</u>	\$2,804.08 /

**-:Retopping Roadway:-**

The footpath along the Rideau Canal Driveway from Keverly street to the Subway and the roadway from Argyle Avenue to the Subway were retopped at a cost of \$1,650.00 detailed as follows:-

Labour & Cartage		\$1,428.16	
Hardware	McDougal's Ltd	85.29	
Lumber	McAuliffe Davis Co.	<u>136.55</u>	\$1,650.00 -

**-: Rideau Canal Driveway Stairs:-**

During the year a large number of artificial stone steps were manufactured to replace the rapidly deteriorating wooden ones at various points along the Rideau Canal Driveway. The expenditure was \$4,950.00 detailed as follows:-

Labour & Cartage		\$2,405.65	
Cement	Canada Cem. Co. \$1,672.87 E.L.&R. Blackburn <u>91.00</u>	1,765.87	
Freight	Can. Hor. Ry. Co. 49.88 Grand Trunk <u>131.61</u>	181.69	
Lumber	McAuliffe Davis Co.	106.70	
Hardware	McDougal's Ltd	403.77	
Supplies	John Henningson 84.32 Ottawa Fireproof Supply Co. <u>4.00</u>	<u>88.32</u>	\$4,950.00



-: City Streets :-

During the year several roads in Rockcliffe Police Village  
 Echo Drive from Bank Street to Hartwell's Locks and Rideau Hall  
 Grounds were tarviated by the Commission, the cost of which was  
 rebated by the parties interested. The expenditure was as  
 follows:-

Labour & Cartage		\$3,798.76	
Tarvia	The Barrett Co.	1,612.07	
Sand	The Rid. Can. Supply Co.	404.60	
Coal	J. Heney & Son	65.00	
Coke	Ottawa Gas Co.	47.00	
Freight	Can. Pac. Ry. Co.	181.45	
Supplies	McKuliffe Davis	258.52	
	A. Korman Co.	16.87	
	McKinley & North-	19.45	
	T. Birkett & Son	25.00	
	Ottawa Paint	37.77	
	McDougal's Ltd.	384.09	
	The Journal	5.00	
		<u>674.69</u>	\$6,783.57

**S T A T E M E N T "B"**  
**Being a statement in detail**  
**of the Expenditure on**  
**MAINTENANCE**  
**of the**  
**various Parks and Driveways**  
**and the Greenhouse**  
**during the fiscal year**  
**ending**  
**31st. March 1919.**

The ordinary maintenance consists of the keeping of roadways walks, paths &c. clear of mud and refuse; cutting and watering grass on boulevards; caring for and trimming trees and shrubs as well as replacing dead trees and shrubs in Spring and Autumn and the cost of materials, tools and machinery.

Extraordinary Maintenance consists of the cost of renewal of roadways, walks, curbs, gutters, water services and repairs to bridges cribwork, iron fences &c.

**RIDEAU CANAL DRIVEWAY:-**

Appropriation \$16,180.00

Labour & Cartage		\$16,607.89
The Barrett Co.	Tarvia	1,425.00
The Rideau Canal Supply Co.	Sand	640.00
J. Honey & Son	Coal	75.00
Can. Pac. Ry. Co.	Freight	271.79
McLuliffe, Davis Co.	Lumber	44.00
Jno. Graham	Seeds & Trees	414.00
Graham Bros.	Seeds &c.	40.90
McDougal's Ltd.	Hardware	121.82
Corp. of Ottawa	Iron Pipe	13.50
Northern Electric Co.	Lamps &c.	200.00
Ottawa Electric Co.	Lighting	1.50
J.O. Lyons	Rent	1.00
Slater Shoe Co.	Boots Maloney	15.50
Ottawa Police Dept.	Clothes Maloney	<u>9.00</u>
		\$19,850.90

**PATTERSON'S CREEK DAMS:-**

Appropriation \$5,860.00

Labour & Cartage		\$ 5,581.44
M.M.O'Connell	Repairs Water Scr.	21.07
Graham Bros.	Seeds &c.	48.67
Dept. Interior	Rent	<u>2.00</u>
		\$ 5,663.18

**CLEMENCE & MONELAID AVES:-**

Appropriation \$2,000.00

Labour & Cartage		\$ 1,496.27
The Barrett Co.	Tarvia	280.00
The Rideau Canal Supply Co.	Sand	165.80
Jno. Honey & Son	Coal	25.00
The Can. Pac. Ry. Co.	Freight	27.60
McDougal's	Hardware	<u>50.00</u>

## SOMERSET STREET PARK:-

Appropriation \$ 485.00

Labour &amp; Cartage

\$ 485.00

## BRONSON PARK:-

Appropriation \$ 485.00

Water Service McKinley&amp;Northwood

\$ 11.90

Labour &amp; Cartage

477.10

489.00

## STRATHCONA PARK:-

Appropriation \$2,175.00

Labour &amp; Cartage

\$2,672.14

Tarvia

The Barrett Co.

105.00

Sand

The Rideau Canal Supply Co.

64.00

Coal

John Henry &amp; Son.

10.00

Freight

Can. Pac. Ry. Co.

12.00

Repairs Water Service McKinley&amp;North

18.95

\$2,877.12

## MACDONALD GARDENS:-

Appropriation \$1,875.00

Labour &amp; Cartage

\$2,051.87

Shrubs

E.D. Smith &amp; Son.

64.40

\$2,116.27

## KING EDWARD AVENUE &amp; PARK:-

Appropriation \$3,500.00

Labour &amp; Cartage

\$3,041.48

Tarvia

The Barrett Co.

585.00

Sand

The Rid. Can. Sup. Co.

291.20

Coal

J. Henry &amp; Son.

25.00

Freight

Can. Pac. Ry. Co.

55.20

Hardware

McDougal's Ltd.

50.00

Lighting

Ottawa Hydro-Electric.

120.00

\$4,167.88

## MERRAN POINT &amp; LADY GREY ROAD:-

Appropriation \$3,600.00

Labour &amp; Cartage

\$2,839.95

Tarvia

The Barrett Co.

130.00

Sand

The Rid. Canal Supply Co.

60.80

Coal

John Henry &amp; Son

15.00

Freight

The Can Pac. Ry. Co.

14.00

Lighting

Supplies The Northern Elec. Co.

148.00

Hardware

McDougal's Ltd

50.00

Lighting

The Ottawa Electric Co.

341.25

\$3,599.00

ROCKCLIFFE PARK:- Appropriation \$5,860.00

Labour & Cartage		\$4,277.14
Tarvia	The Barrett Co.	1,115.00
Sand	The Rideau Canal Supply Co.	557.20
Coal	John Heney & Son	50.00
Freight	The Can. Pac. Ry. Co.	94.10
Lumber	McAuliffe, Davis Co.	131.47
Hardware	McDougal's Ltd.	50.00
Hose	Dunlop Tire & Rubber Goods Co.	19.49
Baskets	Ottawa Ass. for the Blind	<u>6.00</u>
		\$5,860.40

~~ROCKCLIFFE PARK~~

NATIONAL PARK:-

Appropriation \$3,660.00

Labour & Cartage		\$2,687.74
Tarvia	The Barrett Co.	650.63
Sand	The Rideau Canal Supply Co.	393.60
Coal	John Heney & Son.	35.00
Freight	The Can. Pac. Ry. Co.	63.35
	The Grand Trunk Ry. Co.	3.00
Lumber	McAuliffe Davis Co.	<u>75.00</u>
		\$3,908.32

GREENHOUSE:-

Appropriation \$ 4,175.00

Labour & Cartage		\$3,997.67
Coal & Wood	John Heney & Son	1,000.00
	Joseph Dolan	775.00
Hardware	McDougal's Ltd	22.00
Shrubs	R.D. Smith & Son	59.60
Cement	Ottawa Fireproof Supply	21.60
Lumber	E.O. Edwards Co.	21.00
Lighting	Ottawa Electric Co.	<u>2.15</u>
		\$5,892.42

**S T A T E M E N T "C"**

**Being a statement in detail of  
the Expenditure on  
Machinery, Rolling Stock & Road Machinery;  
Contingencies, Printing & Office Expenses,  
Debentures & Office Staff  
during the fiscal year  
ending**

**31st. March 1919.**

**(Being all expenditure not properly chargeable  
to any particular work.)**

## Contingencies, Printing, Advertising &amp; Office Exp.:-

Interest on overdraft in Bank		252.40 ✓	
Stationery & Postage	Jan. Hope & Son.	145.55 ✓	
Printing	The Modern Press	98.25 ✓	
Advertising	The Citizen	12.45 ✓	
	The Journal	9.00 ✓	21.45 ✓
Insurance	Dewar, Stewart & Co.	89.40 ✓	
	Dewar & Bothune	10.00 ✓	
	E. McMahon & Sons	<u>115.00 ✓</u>	214.40 ✓
Office Rent	Christie & Greene	500.00 ✓	
Telephone & Telegraph Ser.	Bell Telephone	124.00 ✓	
	G.H.K. Tel. Co.	91 ✓	124.91 ✓
Office Services:-			
	Ottawa Towel Supply	16.25 ✓	
	Night's Directory	6.00 ✓	
	G.H. Lanesfield	1.00 ✓	
	Serim's	60.00 ✓	
	B. Surtess	<u>60.00 ✓</u>	133.25 ✓
Car Tickets	Ottawa Elec. Ry Co.		275.00 ✓
Taxi & Cab Ser.	M. Landreville		43.50 ✓
Taxes	Twp. Hull - K.H. Stewart		5.04 ✓
Express & Freight	Ottawa Trans. Co.	7.97 ✓	
	Can. Pac. Ry. Co.	75 ✓	
	Can. Nor. Ry. Co.	29.44 ✓	
	Dominion Express	3.65 ✓	
	Canadian Express	<u>7.10 ✓</u>	48.91
Power & Light	Ottawa Elec. Co.	36.75 ✓	178.33 ✓
Supplies	Imperial Oil Co.	67.34 ✓	
	Dalhousie Garage	12.70 ✓	
	Ottawa Motor Sales	2.00 ✓	
	A. Workman & Co.	25.46 ✓	
	Duford Ltd.	5.96 ✓	
	G.H. Carlick	45.00 ✓	
	R.J. Devlin	5.00 ✓	
	Bryson Graham Co.	.60 ✓	
	J. Henry & Son.	120.69 ✓	
	E.E. Shore	14.00 ✓	
	McKinley & Northwood	16.15 ✓	
	C.J. Cameron	3.40 ✓	
	Ottawa Paint Works	47.75 ✓	
	Dunlop T.&R.G.Co.	123.54 ✓	
	Dunlop T.&R.G.Co.	590.59 ✓	
	Northern Electric Co.	157.31 ✓	
	Garrloch, Godard Co.	24.34 ✓	
	Eclipse Plating Co.	22.10 ✓	
	McLuffe, Davis Co.	195.66 ✓	
	McDougal's Ltd.	204.46 ✓	
	Graham Bros.	16.51 ✓	
	K. McDonald & Sons	10.85 ✓	
	E.B. Eddy Co.	27.69 ✓	
		<u>\$1,774.65</u>	

**CONTINGENCIES &c. (Cont'd)**

<b>Brought Forward</b>		<b>\$2,018.99</b>	<b>\$21,455.00</b>
<b>Supplies:-Cont'd Forward</b>	<b>\$1,774.85</b>		
Bryson, Graham	6.25 ✓		
Patterson Manfg Co.	40.00 ✓		
J.M. Garland & Sons	27.68 ✓		
Marchand & Donnelly	7.00 ✓		
P. Matte	77.00 ✓		
Provost & Allard	8.70 ✓		
Ottawa Gas Co.	40.50 ✓		
Ottawa Fireproof Supply	52.50 ✓		
Ottawa Electric Co.	17.59 ✓		
McLiffie, Davis Co.	74.13 ✓		
Central Vulcanising Co.	8.75 ✓		
T. Birkett & Son	20.02 ✓		
J. D. Sandersen	8.45 ✓		
McKinley & Northwood	<u>19.85</u> ✓	<b>\$2,175.12</b> ✓	

**Machinery, Rolling Stock & Road Machinery:-**

Lawn Mowers	Maxwells Ltd	187.20 ✓		
Tar Kettles	A. Bourque	16.20 ✓		
Automobile	Ottawa Motor Sales	1381.75 ✓		
Boiler Inspection	J. Kay	5.00 ✓		
Storage & Supplies	Beach Motors	67.29 ✓		
	McDougal's	119.92 ✓		
	A. Workman & Co	14.91 ✓		
	Ott. Storage	2.10 ✓		
	A. Stuart Lic.	10.00 ✓		
	E.F. Day	4.50 ✓	<b>218.72</b> ✓	
Machinery	Ottawa Gas Co	26.51 ✓		
Parts & Repairs	Ott. Weld. Co.	1.75 ✓		
	L. Bond	1.40 ✓		
	Therrien & Fruman	6.75 ✓		
	Mass Bros.	76.45 ✓		
	K. Howe	10.00 ✓		
	C.C.E. ELEC. Co.	12.80 ✓		
	Campbell & Co.	50 ✓		
	Waterous Eng. Co	8.00 ✓	<b>145.94</b> ✓	<b>\$1,902.61</b> ✓
				<b>\$ 6,096.92</b>

**Office Staff:-**

Superintendent	A. Stuart	\$3,000.00	
Purchasing Agent		1,900.00	
& Timekeeper	W.E.O'Meara		
Clerk	A. Chevrier	1,400.00	
Messenger	E. Burtees	<u>600.00</u>	<u>6,900.00</u>
			<b>\$84,451.92</b>

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-: R E C A P I T U L A T I O N :-

WORK:-

✓ Widening Rockcliffe Driveway	£2,804.08	X
✓ Retopping Roadway	1,850.00	X <i>can Drusey</i>
✓ Rideau Canal Driveway Stairs	4,950.00	X
H   Sundry Works	<u>6,783.57</u>	£16,167.65

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Maintenance:-

✓ <del>Rideau Canal Driveway</del>	£19,830.90	X
✓ <del>Patterson's Creek Parks</del>	8,863.18	X
✓ <del>Glenow &amp; Monkland Avenues</del>	2,067.67	X
✓ <del>Somerset Street Park</del>	455.00	X
✓ <del>Brenson Park</del>	489.00	X
✓ <del>Strathcona Park</del>	2,876.12	X
✓ <del>Macdonald Gardens</del>	2,116.27	X
✓ <del>King Edward Avenue &amp; Park</del>	4,167.58	X
✓ <del>Hepean Point Park &amp; Lady Grey Road</del>	5,599.00	X
✓ <del>Rockcliffe Park</del>	6,180.40	X
✓ <del>National Park</del>	3,908.32	X
✓ <del>Greenhouse</del>	<u>5,892.42</u>	£55,326.16

Incidental Expenses:-

✓ Contingencies, Machinery, Rolling	6,096.92	6 096.92
✓ Stock & Road Machinery	6,900.00	£12,996.92
✓ Office Staff		12 897

✓ Debenture No. 15. £21,455.00

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B I R M I N G H A M  
Being a statement in detail of  
the number and variety of  
bedding plants and bulbs  
planted during the year  
ending  
31st. March 1919.

**Statement of Bedding Plants**  
**grown at the Commission's Greenhouse and**  
**used on the Driveways and Parks**  
**during the year ending**  
**31st. March 1919.**

	Greenhouse Perennials	Annuals	Total
Rideau Canal Driveway & Russell House Park.	12,718	10,000	22,718
Patterson's Creek Parks	12,214	5,000	17,214
Stratheona Park	2,800	5,000	7,800
King Edward Ave. Park	800	800	1,600
Somerset St. Park	600	600	1,200
Bronson Park	125	75	200
Reckoliffe Park	600	600	1,200
Vases &c.	1,500	700	2,200
Stock	1,500	700	2,200
<b>T O T A L -----</b>	<b>33,857</b>	<b>22,975</b>	<b>56,832</b>

**-: Statement of Bulb Planting:-**

Owing to the uncertainty of shipping and the excessive cost of bulbs none were purchased and the planting was confined to a few bulbs that had been saved from the previous year.