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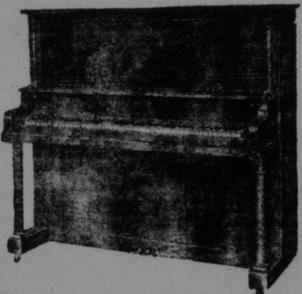
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WOMEN CLAUSE PREVENT SERVICE OF BUSINESS MEN?

Some Members of Citizens' Committee Think Commissioners Should Not be Required to Devote Entire Time to City's Service - Amendment Inserts word "Active."

A meeting of the members of the citizens' committee was held in the board of trade rooms last evening to consider the report of the charter committee and after a somewhat lively session of two hours and a half, thirteen out of thirty sections were adopted. Section No. 18 proved the speediest of the evening. There was a long wrangle over one of the clauses contained therein, and reading as follows: "Each commissioner shall devote the whole of his time to the service of the city, and he shall not while a member of the council, be engaged in any other business, trade, calling or profession."

Some of the members argued that this clause would prohibit business men serving as commissioners while the members of the charter committee argued that if it was not adopted as it stood, the committee would not be keeping faith with the citizens, as they had promised a commission which would give all its time to the city's affairs.

After a long discussion in which the members took different views of the meaning of the word engaged, an amendment proposed by L. P. D. Tilley to insert the word actively before the word engaged, was adopted by a vote of 12 to 18.

The first 12 sections were adopted without much discussion. A. O. Skinner was elected chairman of the meeting in the absence of W. H. Barnaby.

J. A. Belyea presented the report of the charter committee. The preamble was adopted, and the features of the proposed charter were taken up.

Section 1, defining the composition of the commission was adopted.

Section 2 fixed the elections on the second and fourth Tuesdays. P. H. Bullock said that in many cities the civic elections took place at the first of the year. There was some objection to April elections, as the estimates were made up in January.

M. E. Agar said the charter committee had considered these objections. It was however, decided to let the date remain as at present.

The chairman said the first election should follow the retirement of the present council. After that they could change the date if they wanted to.

Finally it was decided to allow the date to stand for the present.

G. S. Fisher—Is it necessary to have two weeks between the primary and final elections?

H. B. Schofield said two weeks was the rule in other cities. If an undesirable man carried the primary, it would take some time to organize against him.

The section was adopted as read.

Section 3, abolishing the property qualification was adopted on motion of W. W. Allingham and H. B. Schofield.

Section 4, providing that nomination papers be signed by 25 voters, was adopted.

The sections regarding the methods of election were adopted.

Section 5, dealing with the selecting of deputy mayor, was referred back.

Section 6, providing that a vacancy could be filled by a single election, caused some discussion.

D. B. Pidgion said an undesirable man might creep in if they only had one election.

The chairman—Well, you have the right of recalling undesirable candidates.

Ex-Mayor Bullock—A busy man would not take the time to run two elections, if he only had a short time to serve.

M. E. Agar said the charter committee had an open mind on the question raised.

Finally the section was adopted as read.

Section 13, fixing salaries at \$3,000, providing that the commissioners give all their time and the Mayor such times as necessary to the discharge of his duties, was discussed at length.

D. F. Pidgeon said if the commissioners were prohibited engaging in private business, many desirable men would be prevented from serving the city.

There was some discussion relative to the advisability of fixing office hours for the Mayor. M. E. Agar said the Mayor would require to exercise general supervision over the whole affairs of the city.

G. A. Kimball moved that the clause "business commission" shall devote his whole time, and not engage in any other business," be struck out.

D. F. Pidgeon seconded this. He said he would like to see everybody present would make ideal commissioners, but few would sever their business connections to run.

W. C. McMackin—We wouldn't be giving the citizens what we said we would. We told them the commissioners would devote all their time to the city.

The chairman said they had promised the people a business government, and commissioners devoting all their time to the city.

J. A. Belyea said the charter committee had considered the principle that they must keep faith with the public.

Messrs. Kimball and Pidgeon said that the commissioners should give all their time to the city, but only to that requiring them to sever their business connections. They thought the commissioners should be given the right to burn the midnight oil in private business.

A member of the committee said a man who burnt the midnight oil could not do justice to the city's affairs.

Principal Fundamental.

M. E. Agar and W. F. Burditt said that the principle that a man should give his whole time to the city, was the foundation of the commission plan. D. F. Pidgeon said that they would break faith with the people if they did not provide for business men becoming commissioners.

A. J. Armstrong said they would be leaving the stock of the city if commissioners giving all their time to the city.

W. F. Burditt said the word suggested did not prohibit a man from being interested in a private business. It meant that he should not be actively engaged in its management, but he could be a part owner.

Mr. Kimball said the words "shall not be engaged in any other business" struck out.

W. D. Baskin said that some people evidently want a loophole which would allow the commissioners to do odd jobs.

Objects to Change.

W. W. Allingham objected to any change being made in the section as drafted.

H. B. Schofield said that in his opinion the clause did not require a commissioner to give up his business with a private business.

L. P. D. Tilley moved that the clause stand with the word actively having been removed therefrom.

This was carried by a vote of 17 to 16.

The committee then adjourned till Monday evening next.

KNIGHTS CONFERRED DEGREES YESTERDAY

Yesterday was a day of particular interest for the local council of the Knights of Columbus, when the exemplification of degrees was held in Keith's Assembly rooms. The ceremonies were carried out in the afternoon and evening in the presence of a large number of local and visiting members of the Knights.

The candidates for degrees was unusually large this year, over fifty being in the list. At 2.30 the exemplification of the first degree was held in the afternoon. The second degree was conferred later in the afternoon. The third degree work was carried out in the evening. The ceremonies were attended by a large number.

Several Knights from all over the Maritime Provinces, from Makee and other places arrived in the city to be present at the ceremonies.

This evening in Keith's Assembly rooms a reception taking the form of a smoker will be held, and an interesting programme has been arranged for the occasion.

Possibility For the Commission.

Although the personnel of the commission which will govern the city will not be selected until April next, there are already a number of citizens mentioned in connection with the positions. One of these whose name is heard often during the last few days is Arthur E. Hamilton, of the A. E. Hamilton company. Mr. Hamilton has been urged by some of his friends to offer and it is understood that he is not altogether averse to the idea.

Conference with Railway Co.

A conference between a committee of the local government composed of Hon. John Morrisey, commissioner of public works, Premier Fleming and Hon. Robert Maxwell, and a committee of the directors of the St. John Street Railway, will be held on Tuesday next for the purpose of taking up the question of the contribution of the Reversing Falls, adapted to street car traffic.

Knowles-Whelpley.

The marriage of Margaret Knowles and Arnold J. Whelpley, took place last evening at the residence of the bride's father, Walter Knowles, 82 St. Patrick street. Rev. Archdeacon Raymond performed the ceremony and only the immediate relatives were present.

HOPE TO STIMULATE IMMIGRATION TO N. B.

Hon. J. K. Fleming Writes Commissioner Hawkes Requesting Presence at Local Government Meeting.

Hon. J. K. Fleming, who held a conference with Arthur Hawkes, the special immigration commissioner, while in Ottawa, has written Mr. Hawkes requesting him to come to St. John on the 19th inst., to discuss with members of the local government the question of providing for a larger immigration to this province.

Mr. Fleming has addressed communication to the premiers of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island, asking them to send representatives to the conference here, with a view of discussing the question of having the federal government make a special effort to assist immigration to the Maritime Provinces.

Mr. Fleming intimated that the local government was looking carefully into the immigration question, and into the question of a vigorous policy of attracting a larger number of settlers to the province. New Brunswick is undoubtedly one of the most backward provinces in the world, and it is a larger population.

BIBLE CLASS HELD ANNUAL BANQUET

The young men's Bible class of St. Stephen's Presbyterian church held their annual banquet in the King's dining room last evening. About 50 of the members were present and a very enjoyable programme of toasts, songs and recitations was given.

The toast to The King was proposed by the president, C. Lawson and was received with the usual honors. The St. Stephen's athletic club was proposed by Robert McQuarrie and responded to by R. Turner.

The Class was proposed by R. Barton and responded to by President A. C. Lawson. The ministerial was proposed by A. Ellis and responded to by the Rev. Gordon Dickie. Our Leader was proposed by G. R. Elliott and responded to by D. Smith. The Ladies were proposed by H. C. Barr and replied to by A. D. Smith.

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als, to whom the flavor of partisanship was attached.

These three men went to fill an important and confidential office, which could not be held by three strong political opponents of the government.

When the conservatives were in opposition they had disagreed with the policy of these three gentlemen and had resigned the moment they knew that their party had gone out of office.

Mr. Carvell followed, alluding to the dry dilemma of Postmaster General, Mr. Laurier and Mr. Smith. He declared the spoils system was in full swing in Carleton county and in the management of Postmaster General Woodstock, and the case of Miss Bohan at Bath. After referring to other alleged grievances he condemned the government for not accepting the international waterways commission. They were not living up to their professions.

Mr. Laurier gave instances of Liberal practices in 1896, mentioning the clean sweep made of 150 local masters and employees of the Welland Canal. In this case there was a refinement of the spoils system. 40 or 50 of these men being retained for one year to teach the newcomers their duties.

Mr. Pelletier declared that the rules would be followed. He made the interesting statement that postmasters who were unjustly dismissed in 1896 will be reinstated if they apply. He said the Liberal party had not accepted the spoils system and then demanded that the Conservatives on clear lines, he said, amid the laughter of the Conservatives, "but I am not a Conservative, I am a Liberal."

He added that if any man were dismissed without investigation he would reopen the case. It will not be a party injustice," he said. "But you did not observe it," said Mr. Monk Laurier went on to say that his government had also accepted the written statement of a member of parliament, giving the facts and asking for the person's dismissal.

"Anyways," the former premier went on. "Even if the Liberals had been deficient, he would expect that the honorable gentlemen who were on the treasury benches now would at least act according to their own doctrine. He would insist that Mr. Borden should enforce the rule of either giving the official a hearing or requiring a member of parliament to put on record the reasons for his demands. And he went on to rally Mr. Borden on the horde of office seekers who had invaded Ottawa.

Sir Wilfrid concluded his speech by complaining of the suppression of the three Canadians who he had recommended to be members of the Joint International Waterways Commission, Sir George Gibbons, Mr. Aime Goffroy and Mr. Barnhill.

Mr. Magrath, Mr. Casgrain and Mr. Powell were no better than they, and Sir George Gibbons by reason of his experience was the superior of any member of the present commission.

Mr. Foster spoke briefly. After notice that the conviction of an official was a matter of evidence satisfactory to the minister or to a member of parliament willing to take the responsibility, he dealt effectively with Sir Wilfrid Laurier's complaint about the International Waterways Commission.

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DIED.

EVANS.—In this city on the 5th inst., Mrs. Annie Evans, widow of the late Andrew Evans, in her 77th year, leaving two sons and one daughter to mourn.

Funeral from her late residence, 102 Queen street, Thursday at 2.30.

O'NEILL.—In this city on the 4th inst., John O'Neill, in the 94th year of his age, leaving one son and two daughters to mourn.

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