

named towns, for their great future advantage and benefit, and to manage their municipal affairs in common on the principal following basis: —

"1st. The towns of St. Lambert, Longueuil, Greenfield Park and Montreal South shall form a municipality under the name of — ;

"2nd.—Its limits shall be the limits of the above-mentioned four towns;

"3rd.—It shall be divided into four wards: St. Lambert, Longueuil, Greenfield Park and Montreal South;

"4th.—St. Lambert and Longueuil will have three wards, each with two aldermen from each ward, Greenfield Park and Montreal South one ward each, with two aldermen for each ward, one alderman per ward to be elected every year;

"5th.—The Mayor shall be elected by the whole electors of the city;

"6th.—A central City Hall shall be built in or about the central part of the city;

7—There shall be a fire station and police station in each above ward.

8—The four above Towns will continue to manage their Municipal affairs separately according to their Charter till the first of May, 1919;

9—At the first Council Meeting of May, 1918, the above four Councils shall elect two delegates to prepare in common a Charter for the new city to be submitted and adopted by the Quebec Legislature at the first following session.

If the above free port law is not passed by the Federal Government, the present Resolution will be null."

Alderman Deschenes then proposed

"That the Secretary-Treasurer be instructed to communicate the above to the Councils of Longueuil, Greenfield Park and Montreal South, asking them to give their approbation to such a move in order to jointly and strongly impress the Federal Government to pass a law for the establishing of a Free Port on the South Shore. The resolution being adopted shall only engage the four Councils to refer the question to unite by a Referendum to the electors to unite in a plan to protect the interests and the welfare of the said four Towns."

Alderman Prendergast seconded the motion with a view to strongly impressing the Federal Government with the importance of the project and also to bring the matter before the electors.

Alderman Gordon said this seemed to be a pretty large undertaking. He was quite in favor of a Free Port on the South Shore, but there was a lot of considering to be done.

Alderman Milligan said if the motion were changed to a resolution in favor of a Free Port he would be in favor of it.

Alderman Deschenes said his motion was intended to bring the matter definitely before the public. The first resolution is only in the form of a notice of motion, and I will make that motion. If the Council of St. Lambert is not prepared to support this motion the project had better be put in the basket and it would be just as well if Mr. Dalby and the paper were to say no more about it.

Alderman Prendergast could see no objection to passing the motion to-