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Council Accept Controllers' Cutting, But There Was Some Very Lively Discussion.

The cost of civic government for 1908, exclusive of any salary increases, which may be decided upon later, will be \$5,520,425.

The city council took the annual fall out of the estimates yesterday, and after wrestling with the board of controllers' revised figures for more than five hours succeeded in adding \$5000 to the amount submitted. It is seldom that the controllers' cutting knife operations are so well received, and the board was naturally well pleased. The uncontrollable expenditures amount to \$2,536,385 and the controllable to \$2,984,040.

The \$5000 item added is to provide for the reconstruction of the station tower and the installation thereon of an illuminated clock. Aid. Stewart, who is the dean of the city council, pleaded with fervid eloquence, intimating that since his municipal career began, about 20 years ago, he had concentrated his attention on the tower and the clock, and that he had been disappointed in his efforts to get them done.

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Ald. McEneaney succeeded, after a strenuous contest, in getting \$20,000 inserted for a concrete walk and protecting wall from Sunnyside to the Humber, but as the controllers were empowered to trim other works department appropriations to that extent, the total was unaffected.

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WAYS TO CREATE "CITY BEAUTIFUL."

Harrisburg Expert Again Gives Toronto Citizens Some Pointers on Desirable Civic Improvement.

"Every city should possess at least one acre of public parks for every hundred of its population," said J. Horace McFarland, of Harrisburg, Pa., president of the American Civic Association in the course of his lecture on "The Crusade Against Ugliness," at St. George's Hall last night.

"With the magnificent opportunities and unsurpassed location which Toronto possessed it would be an easy matter to make it the most beautiful city on the continent," he said, "but only if all available land, suitable for parks immediately, before the cost became too staggering.

"A system of diagonal streets radiating from the centre of the city was the only means of rendering easy access to all parts in the shortest time, while an esplanade with broad drive and gardens should be constructed along the water front, and an extensive planting of trees along the streets and a better system of cleaning adopted."

He was scathing in his denunciation of the unsightly billboards which disfigure the city.

Mr. McFarland paid a tribute to the excellent work of the Ontario Horticultural Societies, which were doing more for the improvement of the cities, towns and homes of the people than the governing bodies in the country.

In Toronto the Guild of Civic Art had prepared a splendid plan for the city, which was worthy of serious consideration.

MARSHIP SINKS WITH 240 SOULS

Matsumi of the Jap Navy Shattered by Explosion in Magazine. With Loss of Life.

TOKIO, April 30.—A terrible explosion in the stern magazine of the cruiser Matsumi off the Pescadore Islands at 8 o'clock this morning sunk the vessel and about 200 officers and men went down to death.

The regular complement of the lost vessel was 350 men and on her cruise she had about 50 cadets aboard, making a total of 410. About 175 are saved, which would make the loss of officers and men about 240.

The sons of Baron Chinda, Vice-Minister of the Foreign Office, and of Prince Oyama, Field Marshal, are among the lost. Captains Name, Yoshimori and Yasburo are also thought to be lost.

The cause of the explosion is unknown.

The Matsumi was a protected cruiser. She was built in 1900. Her displacement is 4237 tons, length 296 feet. She has two decks and twelve gun positions. Her armament consisted of one 12.6 inch canon gun, 26 quick firing guns and six machine guns. She had also four torpedo tubes. Her complement is given in the books of record as 350 men.

The Matsumi took part in the Russo-Japanese war. She was instrumental in November, 1904, in sending Russian torpedo boats that were attempting to escape from Port Arthur to the bottom.

Accidents in the Japanese navy have been rare. There was an explosion of powder on board the battleship Kasumi last September, in which 27 men were killed, and in September, 1905 the battleship Mikasa, which was Admiral Togo's flagship in the Russo-Japanese war, was partially destroyed by fire and the explosion of her magazine at Sasebo. No men lost their lives in this accident.

The Pescadore Islands, the scene of the catastrophe, are a low island group between Formosa and China. The island belonged to China until 1895 when they were ceded to Japan.

HOUSECLEANING TIME



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28TH YEAR

BORDEN REVIEWS THE ATTACK ON ENQUIRY

Says it Will Be incomplete—Premier Asserts Full and Fair Report is Wanted.

OTTAWA, April 30.—(Special).—The opposition to-day returned to the proposed enquiry by Judge Cassels into the marine department. R. L. Borden, on motion to go into supply, submitted an amendment declaring:

"That the investigation conducted by the civil service commission was confessedly partial and incomplete.

"That the proposed enquiry before Justice Cassels is unsatisfactory and insufficient, inasmuch as it relates to only one paragraph of the report of that commission, and touches but a portion of the administration of one department.

"That this house regrets the deplorable extravagance, waste, inefficiency and maladministration revealed by that report, and declares that immediate steps should be taken to reform and redress the same.

"That the public interest imperatively demands the appointment of an independent commission with full powers to make a thorough and searching investigation into several departments of the public service."

The opposition leader first observed that in looking into the report he was led unconsciously to believe that he was reading some of the campaign literature issued by the gentlemen opposite in the good old days. He read a comment of Mr. Fyfe with reference to "the demoralizing system of protection," and observed that this was a severe criticism on men who had taken into power on the pledge to root out that system.

Referring to civil service reform, Mr. Borden declared the British system was on the whole the best, although in a new country like Canada our system had some advantages. Quoting the commission's report that no member of the government had risen to give an explanation. The further statement that party was put before state was equally serious.

Expenditure Going Up.

The examination by the commissioners revealed even a more aggravated form of these abuses in the outside service, to wit, in the appointments, but in subsequent promotions, in the outside service, the political party is of greater importance than the public interest. The commissioners, he went on to say, recommended that the outside customs services be absolutely divorced from political influence and that appointments be put on the basis of merit. As to the outside department, it was found that "hundreds of positions are used for the benefit of politicians rather than for the benefit of the state."

The same bad influence was seen in the marine and public works departments. They had also found a general disregard of the Civil Service Act, no fewer than 50 of the civil servants passed last session bearing the condition, "notwithstanding anything in the Civil Service Act to the contrary."

As to the question of increased remuneration to the civil service Mr. Borden stated that it should be taken into consideration at once. His own opinion was that the present time it was overmanned and underpaid.

Had Sir Wilfrid Known.

Certain stalwart Liberals were not satisfied in stating that Sir Wilfrid had been home at the time of the order-in-council appointing the commission. It would never have been worded as it was.

Mr. Borden quoted from the report the statement that in Quebec the marine agent, when it was pointed out to him that he was paying \$6.85 for four that was selling in the same city for \$4.50, said there was only one four dealer on the patronage list and suggested that a couple more be added.

Expenditure Going Up.

In reporting upon the militia department, the commissioners pointed out that its expenditure was "going up by leaps and bounds; that in four and three-quarter years the expenditure had increased by \$3,000,000." What was raised in Quebec to an expenditure of \$1,000,000 for the militia department previous to 1896 and what did they now think of an expenditure of \$5,000,000 for the present year.

The commissioners had stated that they had not investigated the department of railways and canals because they had found there at the time of their immediate supervision, Mr. Borden ventured to suggest that had they gone into that department they would have found an abundant harvest of maladministration, extravagance and inefficiency.

Dealing with counsel employed to conduct the enquiry, it was not a question whether Mr. Aylesworth was satisfied with Messrs. Watson and Perron, but whether the country was satisfied. Mr. Aylesworth had said the functions of Judge Cassels were like those of a coroner's jury.

"If," said Mr. Borden, "you find the corpse of an honest and efficient government, would you expect the coroner's jury to be guilty by the friend and associate of one of the assassins? They should be men outside the ranks of party responsible for condition of affairs."

Mr. Borden, however, had confidence in these men and would be glad to see them prosecute their enquiries to a conclusion.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier.

Sir Wilfrid said there had been three or four debates on the question already, and among the gentlemen opposite there seemed to be a wide difference of opinion. The last

PREMIER OPENS CAMPAIGN WITH HAMILTON MEETING NEXT TUESDAY EVENING

NAMED AS RESPONDENT.

W. A. Gallieher, M.P., Served With a Summons.

VANCOUVER, April 30.—(Special).—An action for divorce has been started by Ed Dupont against his wife, whom he married 16 years ago at Revelstoke. The couple have not been living together for six years. The respondent is supposed to be in personal chains.

The husband is asking for a divorce through the counsel of E. F. Applebee of Kamloops.

W. A. Gallieher, M.P., for Kootenay, has been served with a summons as co-respondent in an eastern Canada have been served likewise, but it is stated that in the case of one the action will be dropped.

PLAN MAY DAY MEETING.

LONDON Socialists Will Offer Resolution Demanding Radical Reform.

LONDON, April 30.—The socialists will take the May Day demonstration in Hyde Park. Mr. Victor Grayson, member of Parliament, will speak, and the following resolution will be offered:

"This meeting of workers send fraternal greetings to their comrades throughout the world, reaffirm their determination to emancipate themselves from the slavery of wage-labor, resolve to establish an international co-operative commonwealth based on the collective ownership of the means of production, demand free maintenance for children in national schools, work for the unemployed, an eight hour day, old age pensions, adult suffrage and the payment of members of parliament and election expenses."

Daring Express Robbery.

PITTSBURG, Pa., April 30.—Two men accented on the New York-St. Louis express on the Pennsylvania, which left this city at 8:55 to-night, entered the express car at Walker's Mills, ten miles west of this city on the Panhandle division, overpowered the express messenger and escaped with four sealed bags containing currency.

Booth Mills Reopen.

OTTAWA, April 30.—(Special).—Tomorrow morning the great Booth Mills will reopen, giving employment to 1200 men, most of whom have been idle all winter. There are sufficient logs now floating down the river to keep the mills busy all summer.

Frank Hall, editor of Central Press, leaves this morning en route to England on a business trip and will be absent about three weeks.

ARMED MEN CAPTURED BY CANADIAN POSSE

Police Believe They Have Three of the Bandits Who Robbed the Bank at Stephen, Minn.

EMERSON, Minn., April 30.—(Special).—Chief of Police Joseph Wilson and a posse of citizens shortly after noon today rounded up and captured three armed men believed to be part of the bandit gang which looted the State Bank at Stephen, Minn., south of the line, and got clean away with \$8000 in currency, though one of the men is supposed to have been shot in the leg by a citizen awakened by the explosion when the safe was dynamited. The arrest of the three men was spectacular, as they threw up their hands after being covered by the guns of the posse. Two of the men, armed with pump automatic guns, were caught in the home of Wm. Robertson, a farmer living on the edge of the town, where they were getting a meal. The third man was run down by the railway yards, they had \$6000 on them and claimed to be land seekers.

Early in the day it was claimed that five men composing the gang had made across the boundary a short distance from here about daylight and that three, including one injured, had boarded a Winnipeg train, while the other two went to walk towards Dominion City.

FREDERICTON SUSTAINS SCOTT ACT BY LARGE VOTE

One of the Hottest Fights in History of That Province Ends in Temperance Victory.

FREDERICTON, N.B., April 30.—(Special).—After the hottest temperance fight ever known in this province the Scott Act was sustained here today by a majority of 173.

That it was expected liquor license would be defeated the majority in favor of the act was larger than anticipated.

An exceptionally large vote was polled.

JOHNSON MEN HOPEFUL

Representative Shays Bryan Will Have Less Than Half the Delegates.

WASHINGTON, April 30.—The high-water mark of Johnson optimism was reached at the Capitol to-day, when Frederick B. Lynch, treasurer of the Minnesota Democratic committee and head of the Johnson headquarters in Chicago, held conferences with a number of southern and eastern Democrats and announced that the general trend of the talk was extremely favorable to his candidate.

He said he believed Illinois would vote for Johnson if a favorable opportunity occurred, and that there would be between four hundred and five hundred delegates against Bryan on the first ballot.

MARCEL FOR MAHINE

Political Rumor Which Comes From Bonaventure.

MONTREAL, April 30.—(Special).—The story comes from the county of Bonaventure that not only the sitting member, Charles Marcel, M.P., will be appointed minister of marine at the close of the present federal session, but that he has practically selected his successor in the person of John Kelly, M.L.A., for the same constituency.

It was stated from Ottawa some time since that the deputy speaker would succeed Colonel Goudreau, and now that the same statement comes from Bonaventure it looks as if the report were true.

DR. BAIN'S ILLNESS.

Friends Are Given an Unnecessary and Uncalled For Shock.

A report in an evening paper of an alarming condition in the health of James Bain, jr., librarian of the public library was the occasion of severe comment by his physician, Dr. Fotheringham, last night. Mr. Bain is certainly indisposed, but he is up and dressed and about the house every day, and there is no immediate cause for alarm.

To-day is the 93rd birthday of Dr. Bain's venerable father, who was born in 1815, and who is still quite hale and hearty. It is the hope of his friends that his son may be spared to equal longevity.

95 LICENSES LESS.

Ninety-five licenses went out of effect in 21 Ontario municipalities during the night last night, as a result of the voting on local option during the January elections.

R. L. BORDEN TO CONTEST HIS OLD HALIFAX SEAT

Conservative Success on Wednesday Makes Certain That Borden and Crosby Will Run Together.

MONTREAL, April 30.—(Special).—It was stated here to-day by a gentleman pretty close to the Conservative leader at Ottawa that Mr. Borden will certainly contest his old county of Halifax at the coming federal election, and that, furthermore, the leader with his running mate, will be elected.

The election of ex-Mayor "Buck" in the Nova Scotia capital yesterday, defeating so strong a man as Dr. Hawking, the election being run closely on party lines, was, the same gentleman declares, a notice to quit to the present federal representatives, Messrs. Roche and Carney.

The first no doubt will receive one of the vacant senatorial seats, but Borden and Crosby will be the next Conservative candidates in the city and county of Halifax.

SUCCESSION DUES.

Succession duties netted the province for the month of April \$33,274.85. Of this amount York county furnished \$13,222.

Last April, including refunds, the duties amounted to \$158,000. The total for the year so far is \$238,487.57, which is rather over the estimate of \$200,000 for the year.

The provincial authorities in Quebec have cut off six liquor licenses at Hull.

FROM THE WEST

The World asked one of the directors of the Massey-Harris Co. yesterday what was the news from their agents in the west.

The reply was that the area already seeded is larger than any previous year, and that the weather so far has been highly favorable to a good start for the grain.

Everything as far as the seeding looks marvelously well.

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