

ques textes; ils sont tirés du procès-verbal des quatrième et cinquième séances du Conseil:

MAYOR'S OFFICE, 7 September 1840.

It was ordered that Messrs. Donegani and Dunscomb be a committee to report upon a seal for the Corporation". (Vol. I, p. 13.)

Montreal, 12th. September 1840.

The Seal of the old Corporation was then handed in by the Committee appointed to wait on Mr. Viger the former Mayor for the purpose of obtaining it, with a view to its adoption by the present Corporation—and a letter from M. Viger on the subject was submitted and read,—<sup>10</sup>

Mr de Bleury then moved, seconded by Ferrie—

That the Seal of the former Corporation handed in by the late Mayor of the City — Jacques Viger Esq. — to the present Mayor, at the request of the Common Council, be received and adopted, as the Seal of the present Corporation—that the said Seal remain in the custody of the Mayor for the time being, and that a copy of this resolution be transmitted to Jacques Viger, the former Mayor, for his information.

Resolved in the affirmative." (p. 15.)

Qui le croirait? Après cette adoption formelle et sans réserve, il y eut une tentative de modifier le sceau municipal, ainsi que le racontent les textes que voici.

Au procès-verbal de la séance du 7 janvier 1841, on lit:

A Bye-Law concerning the choice of a Seal for the Corporation was read a first time.

On motion of Alderman de Bleury, seconded by Councillor Guy.

ORDERED That the said Bye-Law be read a second time at the next sitting of the Council" (Vol. I, p. 207).

Et à la séance suivante, tenue le 11 du même mois:

The order of the day for the second reading of... the Bye-Law concerning the choice of a Seal, was postponed to the next meeting of the Council" (p. 210).

Ce règlement-là ne connut jamais sa troisième lecture. Paraissant sur l'ordre du jour du 30 décembre, il meurt avec cette année 1841. *Desinit in piscem...*

10.—Cette lettre est restée introuvable aux Archives municipales.