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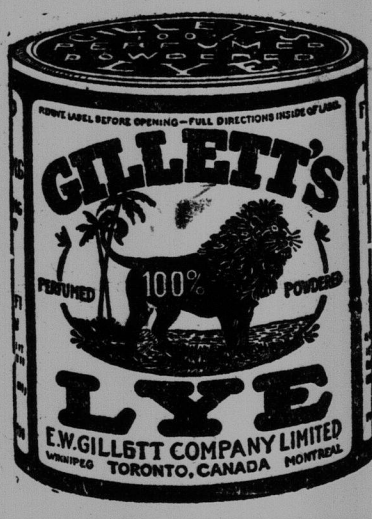
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Commission For Harbor Considered

City Commissioners Again
Take up Matter and Dis-
cuss Sections of Act

The first step towards disposing of the question of harbor commission, by referendum or otherwise, was taken by Mayor Schofield and the city commissioners yesterday afternoon at a late session in city hall, when they took up the St. John Harbor Commission Act, which was assented to in parliament at Ottawa on July 7, 1919. Business proceeded with a reading of the act, section by section, but there was so much discussion over the eighth section that it was decided to adjourn and continue the discussion at the call of the chair. Section 8 of the act reads: "The corporation (that is, the federal commission), shall for the purpose of and as provided in this act, have jurisdiction over the said harbor, and shall have the administration and control of the harbor and of all the harbor property and privileges, real or personal, acquired or that may be acquired under the provisions of this act or of any amendment thereto." It was decided also at the meeting to defer a discussion on the proposed harbor limits, under the proposed act, until a plan of the area affected is drawn and approved by the city solicitor and the city engineer.

An amendment to the act, prepared by the city solicitor some time ago, was



read by Mr. Jones, wherein the city reserves the right of ferrage from the foot of Princess street to Rodney street, the ferry buildings and land occupied by them, ferry slips and approaches, all movable property connected therewith, the Rodney wharf and the low water mark of a small piece of flats adjacent to the Rodney wharf. This had been refused by Ottawa.

Speaking to the resolution, Mr. Thornton pointed out that when the city delegation went to Ottawa last year, the minister of marine had said that no harbor wharves would be reserved. He thought the whole matter should be thoroughly discussed and if not found suitable, discarded by the council.

Mr. Bullock—"The whole matter looks like a hold-up and emphasizes the fact that we should have a representative in the dominion cabinet. Mr. Ballantyne was the only man to take up the matter actively, and we do know what he thinks about it."

The harbor act had passed the federal house without the consent of the St. John

common council, Mr. Frink observed, and it did not receive much consideration here because it was understood to be a government measure. He thought that any 'contentious clause' could be voted out of the act and the amended bill voted upon. The public, he thought, was waiting for the council to act. Four commissioners must be in favor of the bill before a referendum can be called and he thought the sooner it went to the people, or was disposed of, the better.

When the common clerk had read section 8 of the act, defining the powers of the commissioners, Mr. Bullock spoke of the various revenue-producing properties which were not considered by the federal authorities when the bill was before the house. He cited the harbor fisheries, bringing a revenue of more than \$15,000, and other properties which aided considerably in keeping the general assessment lower than it might be.

Mr. Frink thought that the item of \$300,000 was chopped off the price of the harbor by the Ottawa officials in consideration of the city retaining such

privileges. This was denied by Mr. Bullock.

As it was then after 6 o'clock and some of the commissioners had other appointments, it was decided to adjourn the meeting and meet at the call of the chair.

Masons Attend Service

An appeal for state pensions for widows and orphans throughout Canada was made last evening in a powerful sermon by Rev. Dr. J. A. Morrison to Carleton Union Lodge, A. F. & A. M., which held its annual St. John the Baptist Day service at the First Presbyterian church, West Side. The members of the lodge assembled in the Masonic hall in full regalia and marched to the church. The new Martello band headed the parade. The service was Masonic throughout. The lesson from the Old Testament was read by R. L. Amdur, a member of the lodge and formerly a rabbi in charge of the Jewish synagogue here. The lesson from the New Testament was read by E. R. W. Ingham and Rev. W. P. Dunham, rector of the Church of the Good Shepherd, Fairville, by request of Rev. Dr. Morrison, pronounced the benediction.

VISITING UNDERWRITERS.

Ten visiting fire insurance underwriters, who had been attending the annual convention of the Canadian association at St. Andrews this week, were the guests of the local members of the profession at a camp dinner held last night in the summer bungalow of John E. Moore, at Pleasant Point. The party, numbering forty or more, motored from the city and enjoyed a motor tour of the district on their way back. Among the members of the visiting party were: T. L. Morrissey, president of the Canadian Fire Underwriters' Association; Lyman Root, W. E. Baldwin, G. E. Moberley, Mr. Josselyn, representing the New York Underwriters' Agency, and Mr. Pader, Peter Clinch, secretary of the St. John Board of Fire Underwriters, had charge of the dinner arrangements.



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and the second showed five feet of coal. It is intended to install mining machinery in both No. 6 and No. 7, and this will greatly increase the daily output. The foundations of the permanent bank head and hoisting plant at No. 6 have been in place for some time, and only the impossibility of getting brick and other building material has prevented the plant being installed.

SUCCESSFUL PICNIC.

A successful picnic yesterday afternoon at Seaside Park was held under the auspices of the St. John Street Railway and the members of Mary's Band. The weather during the whole day was fine and warm and crowds of people flocked to the pa-

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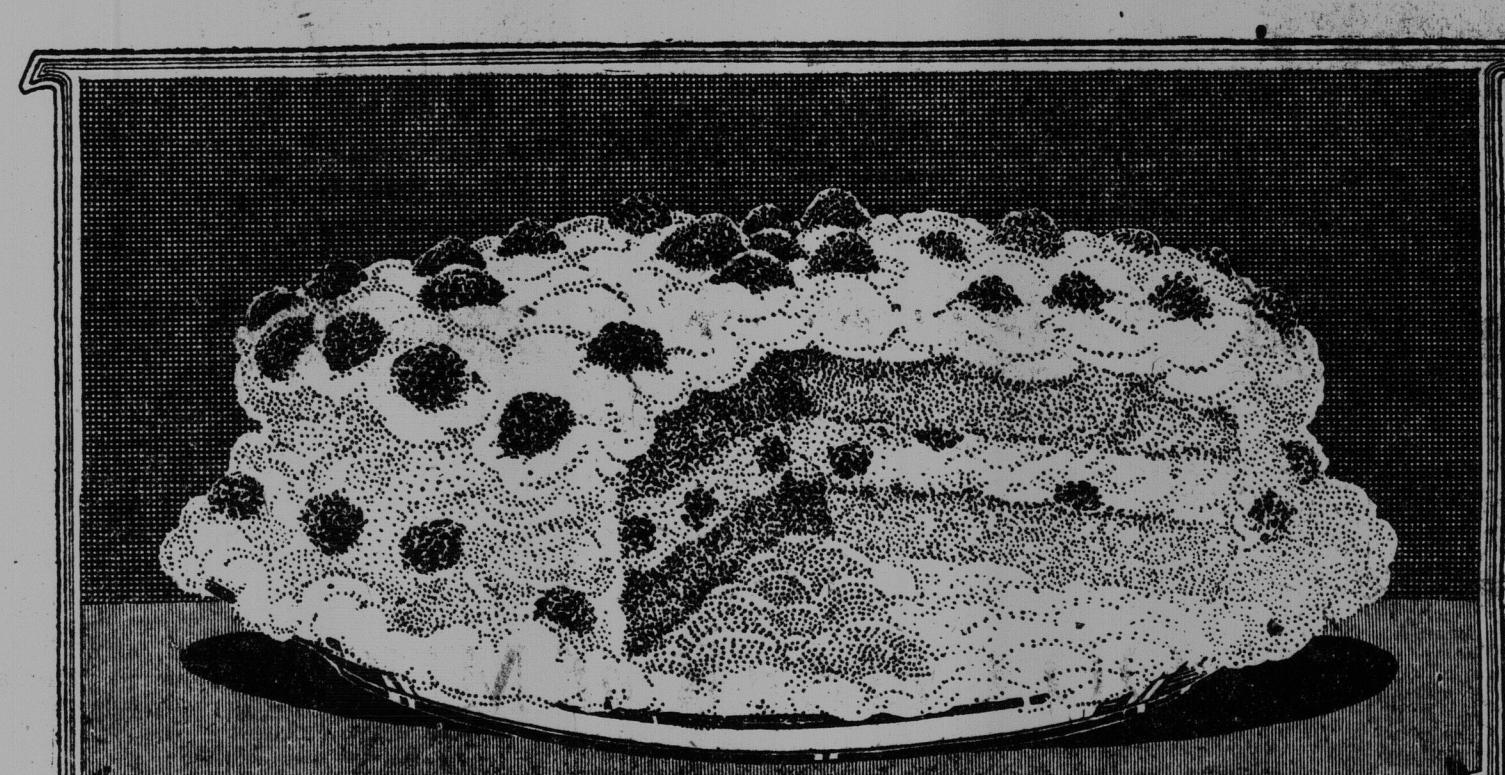
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