

# DEFEAT ATTEMPT TO TAKE POWER FROM MAYOR FRINK

## Commissioner Potts moves Resolution whereby City Contracts would be legal without Mayor's signature — Bank of Nova Scotia to handle Civic Account.

The city commissioners at their meeting yesterday authorized the comptroller to order for payment all accounts properly certified that are submitted to him not later than June 25. This was in order to give people, whom the city owed, a chance to meet their taxes by means of a counter account.

Many renewals of leases for city lands were approved, and Commissioner Russell was authorized to purchase a quantity of birch timber.

The Mayor and the Commissioner of Public Works were authorized to go into the matter of securing an incinerator for the city. Other matters of a routine nature were considered.

Those present were Mayor Frink, Com. Potts, Russell, Wigmore and McLellan with the common clerk.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

**City Banking.**  
Mayor Frink reported that he had received offers for the city's banking business from the Bank of Nova Scotia and the Quebec Bank. It was decided to accept the offer of the Bank of Nova Scotia, which would put up to the extent of \$300,000 against the tax collection at the rate of 4 1/2 per cent, and would allow 4 per cent on all credit accounts.

Mayor Frink said that it might be well for the city to consider the matter of having a fiscal agent in England for the purpose of putting bonds on the market and floating loans.

Commissioner McLellan was given authority to supply a policeman for baseball games, where in his opinion it was necessary. Games where admission was charged would not be supplied, but other games were left to the discretion of the commissioner.

Commissioner McLellan said that at the next regular meeting of the city commissioners he would introduce a resolution to amend the by-law relating to the fire department so that the penalty for false alarms would be materially increased.

**Leases Renewed.**  
On recommendation of the commissioner of harbors, ferries and public lands the following leases were renewed:

Lot No. 542, Brooks ward, to John J. Campbell for seven years from 1st May last, at \$12.00 per annum, being an advance of 20 per cent. on original rental.

Lot No. 458, Queens ward, to Mary A. Edwards for seven years from 1st May last, at \$9.00 per annum, being an advance of 20 per cent. on original rental.

Lot No. 465, Brooks ward, to Eliza and McCaffrey for seven years from 1st May last, at \$9.60 per annum, being an advance of 20 per cent. on original rental.

Lot No. 558, Brooks ward, to George Cobham, for seven years from 1st May last, at \$12.00 per annum, being an advance of 10 per cent. on original rental.

Lot No. 560, Gays ward, to R. A. Carroll, for seven years from 1st May last, at \$15.04 per annum, being an advance of 10 per cent. on original rental.

Lot No. 562, Brooks ward, to R. A. Carroll for seven years from 1st May last, at \$18.70 per annum, being an advance of 10 per cent. on original rental.

Lot No. 18, School lot, Lancaster, to William J. Linton for seven years from 1st November next at \$25.00 per annum rental.

Lot No. 29, School lot, Lancaster, to William J. Linton for seven years, from 1st May last, at \$25.00 per annum rental.

**Release from Claims.**  
An agreement releasing the government from all responsibility or claim for damage in connection with the dredging being done at North Market wharf was passed and ordered executed under the common seal. Commissioner Russell explained that the work was being done free by the Federal Department of Public Works.

Commissioner Russell was authorized to purchase a raft of birch timber at \$17.50 per M. superficial feet, to be delivered at West St. John. The commissioner explained that the price was low and he had been advised to buy.

Mayor Frink thought it was making a pretty wide opening to buy \$700 of material without calling for tenders. The resolution was adopted.

**Contract Resolution.**  
Commissioner Potts introduced a

resolution whereby all contracts for city work would be legal when signed by the common clerk, the commissioner or in whose department the work was to be done and the contractor. Two weeks ago he had had a tender accepted by the council and had so far been unable to have the contract signed on account of the Mayor's opinion that he needed an explanation in connection with the contractor, who was said to have had an offer made in his behalf to 35-Commissioner Agar.

Commissioner McLellan pointed out that the Mayor was head and if he had good and sufficient reasons for holding up a contract it was his privilege. The resolution would take out of the hands of the Mayor the powers which he was elected by the people to exercise.

Commissioner Potts pointed out that he had a contract lower than the others and it should not be held up. He thought the council could order the Mayor to sign and he would have to.

Mayor Frink: "No one on earth could make me sign until I was assured in my own mind that everything was right."

Commissioner Potts: "He would have to carry out the wishes of the council."

Commissioner McLellan: "Read the charter."

**Motion Lost.**  
Mayor Frink then referred to the matter of committee meetings and pointed out that two years ago the commissioners were meeting in committee and discussing the matters in an informal way. That plan was distasteful to some of the newspapers.

During one of these meetings last year Mr. Agar made the statement that he had been approached in the interest of Corey in connection with a contract and had been offered \$1,000 if Corey secured the contract. Mayor Frink had told the commissioner that he should pursue the matter further. His Worship, however, did not know Mr. Corey.

The motion was put and lost. A letter was read in which Mr. Corey asked for an investigation. Mayor Frink announced that he was willing to go on with it at once.

A letter from W. B. Chandler, K. C. of Moncton, announcing that he had been appointed to investigate the charges made by the city against the chief of police was referred to the Mayor.

**Legal Matters.**  
Commissioner Potts read a letter in which Recorder Baxter said the city was not liable in connection with the repair of Morgan's Alley.

The matter of the west front of the King street, (West) slip was referred to the commissioner of harbors and the Recorder.

Recorder Baxter was of the opinion that the city was not liable in connection with an accident to David Howard.

P. W. Holt offered his services in connection with the erection of an incinerator.

The city received a request from a trade newspaper for an advertisement. Mayor Frink pointed out that the matter of advertising should be considered and if the city intended to advertise an appropriation should be made for that purpose.

The Canadian Municipal Journal asked that the city subscribe for several copies. Mayor Frink pointed out that this paper had run an article in opposition to the commission form of government and had made extended editorial reference bearing the council.

**Mispec and Fishing.**  
Another communication was received from John White asking that the Mispec stream be opened up for fishing. The commissioner of water and sewerage with the Recorder will report.

Commissioner Potts in answer to Commissioner McLellan said that he had not yet received the petition from residents of Orange street in regard to a new pavement and he had not taken any action.

Commissioner McLellan asked for information concerning the Free Public Library and a report will be given at the next regular meeting.

Mayor Frink pointed out that the revenues of the city from licenses had fallen off badly lately. The mayor was given power to act in the matter. The meeting then adjourned to meet on Wednesday at noon.

**WEDDINGS.**  
**Fowler-Barnes**  
Barnesville, June 20—One of the prettiest weddings of the season took place on Wednesday evening, June 21 at eight o'clock at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. J. Westra Barnes of Barnesville when their only daughter, Jennie Vertrien, was united in marriage to Mr. J. J. Fowler of Upland. The ceremony was performed on the piazza which was transformed into a bower of flowers, the bride and groom standing immediately beneath a huge bell of apple blossoms. The bride, who was given away by her father, looked charming, gowned in white duchess mousseline silk with trimming of shadow lace and pearls and bridal veil and carried a shower bouquet of lilies of the valley. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. H. Hamilton Brown of Upland. About fifty of the invited guests were present and during congratulations Lohengrin's wedding march was very sweetly rendered by Mrs. H. H. Sherwood of Upland. After congratulations the guests repaired to the dining room which was tastefully decorated for the occasion, the color scheme being pink and white, where refreshments were daintily served.

The bride was the recipient of many beautiful and valuable gifts including a handsome cheque from her father. The bride will be very much missed in the village, especially in church circles where she has for some time past filled the position of organist in both

## WILL AID IN TRANS-ATLANTIC FLIGHT

George E. A. Hallett will assist Lieutenant John C. Potts in piloting the Curtiss aeroplane across the Atlantic for the Rodman Wanamaker prize. Work is being pushed at the Curtiss shops at Hammondsport, N. Y., in putting the flyer in trim, and a trial flight is expected within a few days.

**Bishop and Presbyterian churches.**  
The happy young couple will reside in Upland.

Out of town guests who were present at the wedding were Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Dykema and family, Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Titus, Mrs. Watson and Miss Gladys Baxter of St. John, Mrs. H. B. Titus of Sydney, C. B. Mr. and Mrs. V. E. Gowland of Salisbury, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Barnes and Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Robertson of Hampton.

**Jemseg, June 17.**—A very pretty wedding was solemnized at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Dykema on Wednesday evening, June 17th, when their daughter Vera was united in marriage to Leslie L. Colwell. The ceremony was performed by Rev. I. B. Colwell, pastor of Jemseg Baptist church.

The bride and groom looked charming under a beautiful floral arch. The bride was attired in white embroidered voile and carried a large bouquet of pink and white carnations.

Little Muriel Dykema, niece of the bride, acted as flower girl.

After the ceremony about thirty guests partook of a dainty repast. Many beautiful and useful gifts were received, the groom's present to the bride being a handsome gold watch.

The guests from a distance were Dr. and Mrs. G. R. Camp, of Sheffield; Mr. and Mrs. O. S. Dykema, R. G. Dykema, Mrs. Haxton Taylor and P. W. Dykema, of St. John. They will reside at Jemseg.

**THE COURTS.**  
**PROBATE COURT.**  
In the probate court yesterday the will of Robert Alexander Courtney, lumber surveyor, was proved. He died in May last in Norfolk, Virginia, but domiciled here. By his will he gives to his wife, Margaret Ann Woods Courtney, all his property, real and personal, to collect and receive the income or dispose of it in whatever way she may deem best, during the term of her natural life, and he nominates her as executor. She was accordingly sworn in as such. Real estate in the value of \$100; leasehold valued at \$5,000, and other personal property valued at \$3,000; total estate \$8,100. Powell & Harrison are executors.

The court took up the matter of the estate of Owen Jones, rigger. He died intestate in 1870. His widow, Elizabeth Jones, was appointed administratrix, but she died without having fully administered the estate. On the petition of Eliza McLaughlin, wife of Daniel McLaughlin, ship builder, and Catherine Danery, widow of William Danery, teamster, daughters of the deceased, they were appointed administrators of the undivided portion of the estate, consisting of a leasehold property in St. Patrick street of the value of \$6,000. Barnhill, Ewing & Sanford are executors.

In the matter of the estate of Thomas Gorman, laborer, Dr. Richard P. H. A. M. Daniel Mullin, K. C., is executor.

**OBITUARY.**  
**Harold Wood Wilson.**  
News was received in the city Sunday telling of the death of a former young St. John man, Harold Wood Wilson, in Ottawa, where he was connected with the geographical branch of the interior. Mr. Wilson was born in St. John thirty-two years ago, and left this city when he was about twenty-two years of age. He visited here about five years ago.

Mr. Wilson was well known about the city and many friends will hear of his death with regret. When here he was active in athletic circles, being connected with several sporting associations. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Wilson, survive with one brother, Percy L., of the legal firm of Honeywell and Wilson, Ottawa, and one sister, Mrs. H. Beall, of Lindsay, Ont.

Mrs. George Emery, 29 Cliff street, is an aunt of the deceased, and the news came as a severe shock to her and many others in the city.

**Thomas Crockett.**  
Friends in St. John will hear with regret of the death of a former resident, Thomas Crockett, for years a well known lumber merchant, at his home in River du Loup, P. Q., Sunday. Death came suddenly from heart trouble. Mr. Crockett had for many years been engaged in the lumber business and was particularly well known about the northern part of the province and Quebec. His wife, four daughters, and one son, survive.

The daughters are Mrs. Chester Cleveland and Mrs. John Gibson, of Danville, Que.; Mrs. Anderson, wife of Dr. John Anderson, of San Francisco, and Miss Marlon, at home, while Jack Crockett, of Port Arthur, Ont., is the son. This is the second bereavement in the family within a short time, as Mr. Crockett's eldest son died only three months ago. Conductors William and Joseph Crockett of the I. C. R., Moncton, and Frederick, of Alexandria, Louisiana, are brothers, and Mrs. W. S. Clawson, and Mrs. A. G. Hamm of this city are sisters.

**F. R. Connor.**  
Many friends will read with regret of the death yesterday at his home, Dufferin road, Carleton, of Frank R. Connor, the well known and popular member of the customs gauge staff. Mr. Connor had been in poor health for the past two years. He was seventy-one years of age. Prior to his appointment to the customs staff in 1903 Mr. Connor was a well known engineer in the C. P. R. employ and was very highly esteemed. Mr. Connor is survived by his wife and two daughters, Misses Helen and Jessie Connor. The deceased was highly respected by all who knew him.

**HON. S. H. BLAKE SERIOUSLY ILL.**  
Toronto, June 22—Hon. S. H. Blake is confined to his bed and is critically ill. Owing to his advanced age very slight hopes are entertained for his recovery. Two doctors are in attendance.

# WORLD'S NEWS CONDENSED IN BRIEF FORM

## Mrs. W. H. Ellis badly hurt

—Sugar in ninety days—Ross pleaded guilty.

**Mad Bad Fall.**  
Mrs. W. H. Ellis of Main street, fell down the stairs of her home yesterday morning, a distance of thirty feet, sustaining a scalp wound at the base of the skull besides many painful bruises. A tenant of the flat above hearing Mrs. Ellis fall went to the foot of the stairs and finding her unconscious summoned medical help. The unfortunate woman will be confined to her bed for some time.

**Superannuated.**  
Harry Comau, locomotive driver in the employ of the I. C. R. for the past thirty years, was superannuated yesterday.

**Sugar in Ninety Days.**  
F. H. Anson, managing director of the Atlantic Sugar Refineries, Ltd., said yesterday that his company would have their refinery here in operation within ninety days.

**Ocean Limited.**  
The Ocean Limited was replaced on the Intercontinental yesterday and from now on will leave the city at 11:20 a. m.

**Special Constable.**  
Frederick Hickwood was sworn in before Magistrate Ritchie yesterday morning to do special duty on the golf links in Stanley ward. The appointment of Mr. Hickwood, who is a professional golf instructor, was made necessary by the unruly actions of boys about the links.

Frederick Ross, arrested Saturday night by Special Policeman O'Leary on the charge of sending in a false alarm from box 7, was before Magistrate Ritchie in the police court yesterday morning. The prisoner, who was represented by E. S. Ritchie, pleaded guilty. Recorder J. B. M. Baxter, K. C., for the prosecution. The prisoner admitted sending in other alarms and his counsel advanced the theory that Ross was sometimes overtaken with insanity. This was, however, discarded. The prisoner was remanded and the magistrate said he would confer with Commissioner McLellan and Chief Blake with a view to seeing what could be done with him.

**Body Found.**  
Ralph G. Day and his brother, Charles Day, of this city, made a gruesome discovery near Musquash while fishing on Saturday, when they came across the badly decomposed body of a man, supposed to be Dennis Morris, a lumberman, who has been missing since last February.

The body was a clue of bushes, Recorder Bonny Doone, which empties into the Musquash River. They found the body in a cluster of bushes, Recorder Clinch, a cruiser, was notified, and he would notify the coroner.

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Doan's Kidney Pills will strengthen the weak back, and prevent any form of kidney trouble entering the system.

Mrs. Ed. Boyer, Nekomska, Sask. writes: "I have been troubled with weak back and kidneys. I had terrible dizzy headaches, and could not sleep at night. In this way I suffered for ten years, until I read about Doan's Kidney Pills. I purchased two boxes, and as they helped me, I sent for two more they put me on my feet, and I have been able to work ever since."

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London, June 22.—It is reported that Signor Marconi has obtained a \$10,000,000 contract from the Chinese government for the installation of numerous aerograph stations in that country.

**Killed by Train.**  
Frederick, June 22.—Fred Bonville, aged 28 years, of Cornwall, Ont., who for some time past has been cransman on a steam shovel on St. John Valley Railway construction work near Victoria Mills in Fredericton, was the victim of a fatal accident in the Maine Central Railway tracks at Vanceboro, Me. Bonville was sent from here in charge of that portion of the construction plant owned by James H. Corbett and Sons, Inc., which was being shipped from here back to Pennsylvania to go on some work there. He reached Vanceboro, and while walking on the tracks in the yard there was run down by a passenger train and killed.

**King Sends Sympathy.**  
Ottawa, June 22.—Messages of sympathy to Canada for the Hillcrest coal-mining disaster have been received by the Governor General from His Majesty the King and from the Colonial Secretary, Sir Louis Harcourt.

**Queen Mary a Colonel.**  
London, June 22.—Queen Mary is now a colonel in the British army, while the corresponding rank is to be held by Queen Alexandra and two princesses. These appointments, the first of the kind ever made in the British army, were announced yesterday, as a novel feature of the King's birthday

honors. Queen Mary becomes Colonel-in-Chief of the Eighteenth Hussars, Queen Alexandra is made Colonel-in-Chief of both cavalry and infantry, her regiments being the Nineteenth Hussars and the Yorkshire Regiment. The Princess Royal is appointed to the Seventh Dragoon Guards, and the Princess Louise, Duchess of Argyll, to the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders.

**Brockville, Ont., June 22.**—Following a heavy rain the temperature has fallen below freezing point, and damage to crops is feared.

# Fairbanks Flour