

## Rather Than Accept the Company's New Graded Scale

One Thousand Men in All Night Mass Meeting in the Star Theatre Vote Down the Company's Proposition By an Overwhelming Majority.

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## MEN WILLING TO YIELD ARE HOWLED DOWN

There were fully 1000 men in the | A member attempted to favor the new tar Theatre this morning when Pre- scale. He was instantly howled down. ent Ames called the mass meeting The man insisted that he wanted the o order. He was greeted with cheers. motion put to adopt the report. There His remarks were brief. He referred was trouble in finding a seconder. The to the efforts made to secure a peace- speaker declared that the scale was fair, ful settlement. International Delegate and many men had homes partially Dilworth and Organizer McDonald paid for. A seconder was still not to were said by the speaker to be at the be found.

toor, and he asked the pleasure of the FAVORING A FIGHT

Then speakers favoring a fight securmen as to admitting them. They were only conductors and motormen violently demanding that the scale be refused. The air was full of yells: ad been admitted. "Good fellow," "We will have 25

Then Mr. Ames explained, in a genral way, that the Board of Trade cents an hour or nothing," and other legation had done all in their power such expressions indicating that the secure a compromise. They had mass meeting was on the verge of a demands. seen unable to do anything more than strike. There was scarcely a dissentthe public had already been informed ing voice.

of. The company had made all the One member had the temerity to rise ressions possible. With these form- to a point of order. The meeting beal remarks, President Ames retired, came tumultuous in a moment, and cries of "Scab, scab" were general. amid cheers.

nittee representing the TO GET THE TEN YEAR MEN. Then the co men made their report to the mass A speaker charged that the company meeting, being introducd by J. H. had placed the 21 cent part of the scale was made chairman by in eight in order to cause the ten-year Pickles, who acclamation. George Coney was made service men, to whom the maximum secretary. Chairman Marshall spoke scale alone applies, to quit the union briefly, but favored an immediate set- and take out their cars. This charge tlement one way or the other. This provoked the wildest commo When order was restored, the speeche centiment was greeted with silence. became more moderate. Finally a memittee followed with the re-

port of the various phases of the ne- ber declared in a deliberate tone, "It The report was a complete is unwise for us to strike to night." Yells of "Sit down." "Put him out." detail of all that had been accompand other phrases indicating clearly that the

the temper of the majority were hurled When the scale offered by the company was read, it was greeted with at him.

earliest manifestation of the feel- and the original question was soon lost and all further chance to prevent a sses and yells of derision. This was ing among the men toward the com- sight of in a multiplicity of personali. strike seemed lost, and trouble apse extended by the company.

The chairman then announced that touched the sliding scale. This the taken by a rising vote. COMPANY'S SCALE PRESENTED. men declared unfair. They would never PRESIDENT AMES' ABPEAL. the report was in the hands of the mass moved that the accept such a proposition. The graded President Ames of the Board

## EMPLOYES LIKELY TO STRIKE.

The mass meeting of Street Railway employes in the Star Theatre this morning had presented to it the new schedule of wages made by the Company. This new scale is as follows :

•	First year	17	cents	per	hour
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	After fifth year to tenth year	21	46	66	66
	After tenth year	21			

One hundred employes could be found to favor its acceptance. They were heard with difficulty. The scale

was presented amid hisses. At 3 a.m. the men voted down with an overwhelming majority the company's proposition.

The vote on the strike will hardly be reached before 5 o'clock. The sentiment of the meeting indicates that a large majority are favorable to a strike being declared before the meeting adjourns. All men attempting to oppose a strike provoked a howl of impatience. A strike is very probable,

ant roadmasters. Men asserted they Board of Trade was sincere in its ef- erated on King and Queen, were tyrannical, and oppressed the forts. A strike, he said, would be a as the division line. A single five en as to admitting them. They are done of the floor amid the wildest cheers, all men unnecessarily. This sentiment great disaster to Toronto. He urged fare will take a passenger as far There was much the men not to thrust this calamity on the conveyance runs. There will b proviked applause. npt any viola- FOREIGNERS COMING IN. the city if it could be avoided. In any services established beyond the twodiscussion on this point.

e is a promile limit as soon as this traffic tions. For instance, that prevents reaches fair proportions for the down- vision in this Province town district. No transfers will be is- railway employes being orking day of ten hours

company must not men they have cars and keep them there for nours at a time. If the arrest of

Delegate Dilworth observed: public may rest assured they will have can't see cidents, fatal to life and property alike. It is within the province of the muni-cipality to adopt a bylaw on this subsettled condistrike to take care of the traffic in The time has passed when a ct, and the men te. There is no legal provision at sent stipulating that a man must be erienced to operate an electric car, as much is implied in various city this manner. I should say the carin large employer of skilled labor can remamor onorated by the men will be every way preferable to a ride on a car fuse the men the right to organize. labor organize. ut as much is There is an Association of Street Rail- bylaws, such, for i Association of plying to engineers of steam cars. oper ators of elevators and motor cycles. tical workings of an electric train. Ac- way Managers, an The committee estimate that they will, cidents in such a case cannot be Roadmasters, and all that sort of UNION STANDS BY UNION.

The means of travel thing. If this is legitimate and ad-

Charge Made That the Company's Maximum Wage of 21 Cents to Ten-Year Men is Meant Only to **Cajole Long Service Men.** 

## STRIKE VOTE LIKELY TO BE REACHED AT 5 A. M.

to the men. The men are right. You can always rely on the public favor-ing a body of men when they are striking for their rights, as in this case. Therefore, we will get substan-tial support from the patrons of pub-lic carriers, and we can garry these people in wagons for an indefinite pe-riod. This will give our men employ-ment, deprive the company of revenue, and furnish the fuel to continue the strike. We will not flag in our energy, and, if we have to fight for a year, will fight just as hard the last day as the first. The company officials might just as well understand this now, as to the men. The men are right. You, have their meals sent to them if this he first. The company officials might use as well understand this now, as ater." **COREGNERS COMING IN**. the city. For instance, the Brother hood of Locomotive Engineers, the ord er to which every engineer connected with the Canadian roads belong, and

The Grievance Committee of the men eccived telegrams from Ottawa, De-which is equally strong, will be appeal-ed to not to haul trains carrying the received telegrams from for the strikers who belong to unions and teamsters who belong to unions are the point whence they are recruited. These telegrams add that many of the men being secured are from the strikers. Union waiters are expected to strikers; union butchers will be asked to refuse to supply hotels where these men are quartered, with meat, and teamsters who belong to unions are not expected to haul goods of any description contributing to the success of the company. In this manner there is grave reason to anticipate trouble in other directions.

the point whence they are recruited. Again, there is an Alien Labor Law in Canada, and, if men are imported is minutes apart. business on the ten care of, the ded to outside ets. ATION. The set is constructed to the construction of the substantial inter-ters. ATION. The set is constructed to the construction of the substantial inter-ters. Attion. The set is constructed to appeal at the point whence they are recruited. These telegrams add that many of the men being secured are from the street men being secured are from the street marks of the most irresponsible classes, and many of them are under police sur-veillance. The committee representing to provide the men are prepared to appeal at once to the police authorities of the classes are watching the depot and boat incalculable. First, it will seriously in-terfere with the summer tourist traffic from the States. This is the source of pickets are watching the depot and boat incations. The damage to the substantial inter-veillance. The committee representing one to the police authorities of the classes. Attions. The damage to the substantial inter-veillance. The damage to the substantial inter-veillance. The committee representing to press associations will send the report pickets are watching the depot and boat incate of the estates that a strike incate of the estates that a strike is in progress. In Toronto. This will turn the tide of travel in some other di-rection. Strangers will not visit a city when a big strike is known to be in ind done there will be all kinds of ac-cidents, fatal to life and property alike. ested in a strike of the magnitude this e, as that ap-

ARBITRATION URGED.

The men made a final appeal for arbitration yesterday. Early in the citimate and ad-officials of these company is experiencing all kinds of difficults of these company is experiencing all kinds of alled upon the Mayor and Board of

A member, of unusual intelligence, resort to violence. If a strike was callspoke with great vigor in favor of the ed, he hoped everything would be quietmen standing together for the original "The company wouldn't ly done. In conclusion, Mr. Ames begged the have granted this much, if they were men to make their decision known by not ready to agre to all the demands Prolonged cheers greeted this state- further delay might be sure their votes

event, Mr. Ames advised the men not to

ment, and many voices called for an would be recorded. mmediate vote, to determine whether SUGGESTED A SECRET BALLOT. or not a strike would be called. In fact, this feature of taking a bal-

-International Delegate Dilworth suggested that the men vote on the wage the only hope of a strike. The speaker had ingeniously worded his remarks, The motion wos made, that the com- so that the climax was that point-REJECTED THE COMPANY'S SCALE vote was so overwhelmingly against and those most violently in favor of a

the scale that it was declared rejected, lot

Delegate Dilworth appealed for sides to have a fair hearing.

A general motion was then made whole proposition received tively prepar from the company be rejected abso- day Friday. This was passed with a roar, and began negotiations with liverymen and owners of make this one of the peared certain. It was 2.35 on Sat- and state that the union is propared The burden of the remarks, however, urday morning when this vote was to fully handle the traffic formerly

made by the union.'

scale first.

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ballot, so that those who might favor men that the trades union members, on the

lot on the final result appeared to be

strike opposed the idea of a secret bal- I'ILWORTH ON SITUATION.

all AN OPPOSITION SERVICE. The Grievance Committee ng features.

conducted by the Street Car Company. of if necessary, easily have 600 hacks,

sued, and two fares will b for persons living beyond the two-

violation. service in every way equal in promptness and safety to that furnished by Again, there is an Alien Labor Law

central streets is taken care of, the LOUIPP

