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A NEW SYSTEM OF LIGHTING LONDON STREETS

Citizen Places That in Use in Columbus, Ohio, Before Commissioner.

A new system of street lighting for downtown may be adopted by the water commissioners.

At the meeting of the board on Saturday afternoon, Mr. B. G. H. Wright appeared before the commissioners and explained the system in vogue in Columbus, Ohio, and other cities.

Archways are strung across the streets at certain intervals, on which strings of lights are placed.

The effect is very decorative, and it furnishes excellent light. The arches in these cities are placed on the street car companies' poles, and add considerably to the strength of the poles.

"The streets of Columbus are the finest lighted streets in America," said Mr. Wright. "I think the same system could be adopted here."

He submitted many photographs and drawings for the commissioners to consider.

The suggestion appealed to the commissioners, and it was decided to erect an arch as soon as possible in order to see the effect.

"They only cost \$50 or \$60 each," said Mr. Wright. "We might as well erect one of them, and see what it is like. If the idea is a success, the money will not be wasted."

Commissioner Pocock thought the suggestion a good one, and Engineer Sifton was instructed to prepare the plans and have the arch erected.

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MUST PAY FOR LAWN SERVICES

Water Commissioners Decide to Charge Citizens This Year.

RATES TO BE FIXED LATER

Meter Rates Were Discussed and Laid Over—Many Matters Taken Up at Meeting on Saturday.

The citizens of London will have to pay for lawn services this year. For some three or four years no charge for water for this purpose has been made, owing to the fact that there was no regular supply. This year, however, a change will be made.

The rates will not be fixed until some time later. Chairman McMahon thought the past charges were too high for certain houses, and others thought changes should be made.

The city will be charged \$4,000 for the water to be used on the streets for street watering. Last year the charge was \$3,500, but the number of streets to be watered has increased, and the commissioners thought a readjustment should be made. According to the figures submitted there are 38 miles of streets to be watered this year, which at 2 cents a lineal foot, would bring the commissioners' share to about \$4,000.

"I move we charge the city \$4,000," said Commissioner Pocock. "If that is not satisfactory, allow us to take one-third the receipts from street watering."

This carried.

Meter Rates.

The question of meter rates was not touched. Commissioner Pocock thought that the question should not be dealt with until the new pumping plant was in full operation.

"We had better wait until all the wells are harnessed before we deal with the question," said Mr. Pocock.

"I will favor that," said Commissioner Darch. "I would rather have an abundance of water than use meters. There is a point of efficiency beyond which it is not economical to use meters. Let us get plenty of water, and give the people all they want."

"With the meter rental at \$2 a year, would receive \$2,500 a year, nearly half the cost of our operating plant," said Commissioner Pocock. "However, I do not know that we would be doing good business to adopt that method of keeping down the consumption of water."

"We would have a great deal of water," commented Commissioner McMahon.

The matter was laid over.

Prepare the Estimates.

The engineer and secretary were instructed to prepare the estimates for the year, with a statement of the supplies used last year.

The London Health Association were given light and water at the current rate, the association to install the mains, etc., at their own expense.

Big consumers outside the city limits were offered water at the present flat rate without discount. If not paid within the specified time 20 per cent will be added to the bill.

The National Meter Company sent material for fixing their meters to the board free of charge. The goods were accepted with thanks.

The communication of the Spramont Company complaining of excessive water rates was filed.

The pumping engineer's report showing the average amount of water used during the first fifteen days of February to be 4,229,204 gallons.

RAILWAY WAR LOOMS

Grand Trunk Invasion of Rhode Island Stirs Up Mellen's Road.

Boston, Feb. 21.—Will there be a war between New Haven, New York, and Hartford, Boston and Maine system and the Grand Trunk Central Vermont alliance? This is a question of intense interest to shipper and business man in the New England States and Canada.

The application for a charter permitting the Central Vermont line at Palmer, Mass., to be extended to Providence, submitted to the Rhode Island Legislature by the Grand Trunk, has already stirred political and business circles in Rhode Island, and a notable contest is impending.

President Charles S. Mellen, of the New Haven road, in Boston last week referred to "unprovoked attacks by Canadian lines upon the business of the New England railroads" as an endearing long established relations.

Later President Charles M. Hays, of the Grand Trunk, declared that his company was applying for the charter "at the request of the people of Rhode Island, who wish this further outlet for their business."

Providence people are discussing the possibility that the Central Vermont's existing agreement with the Grand Trunk and Maine for an exchange of traffic at White River Junction may be terminated, thus cutting off the Central Vermont outlet to Boston if hostilities become acute.

BRISTOL SEES BOGEY

He's Quite Sure Navy Is Laurier Move Towards Independence.

Toronto, Feb. 21.—The proposed establishment of a Canadian navy was freely criticised by several speakers at a joint meeting of the Central and South Toronto Conservative Associations on Saturday evening.

Mr. Bristol, in criticising the proposals, argued that a separate navy for Canada was an indication that Sir Wilfrid was aiming at independent existence for Canada in the future, and he quoted from some old speeches of Sir Wilfrid in support of his contention. He said it would take 50 years to produce a proper navy, whereas if a war was to ever take place it would take place in the North Sea, where Canada's navy was useless. He strongly urged that Canada's contribution to the maintenance of Dreadnoughts, saying that Canada could not do better than follow the example set by New Zealand.

Mr. Thomas Hook, in supporting the case for Dreadnoughts, said that Germany's explanation that her naval expansion was to keep growth with her mercantile expansion was not borne out by the facts. The growth of the navy far exceeded that of the mercantile marine, and he thought it was a sinister meaning towards the British Empire.

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AMUSEMENTS FOR WONDERLAND PARK

W. H. Givens Comes Forward With New Idea to Water Commissioners.

MR. POCOCK SUSPICIOUS

Inclined to Believe There Was Collision Between Mr. Givens and the London Street Railway.

Amusement devices for Wonderland Park form the latest suggestion.

At the meeting of the water commissioners on Saturday, Mr. W. H. Givens, who sought the privileges at Springbank, made a suggestion that the devices be located at Wonderland. He proposed if he be given the exclusive privilege for ten years, with an option of five more, to spend \$10,000 in five years in improvements to the park. After that time he was willing to pay \$100 a year rental.

Commissioner Pocock wanted to know if the London street railway had given their written consent, allowing Mr. Givens or any person else to erect amusement devices at Springbank, but Secretary Ellwood stated that such consent had not been given.

Rental Insufficient.

"I do not think the rental sufficient," said Mr. Pocock. "We would like to have black and white, just what is going to be done at Wonderland, in case the privilege is given."

"We cannot go ahead there," Mr. Givens answered. "The street railway will not give what the board asks."

Mr. Pocock suspected collusion on the part of the company, and Mr. Givens, but the latter denied it.

"Anyway we are not going to give Springbank away," said Mr. Pocock.

A Little Debate.

"No person has given Springbank away," said Commissioner Darch. "That is an erroneous statement. If we had amusement devices at Springbank, we would have to give it to someone. We need not agree to any proposition unless we want to."

"We will want more than \$100 a year," said Chairman McMahon.

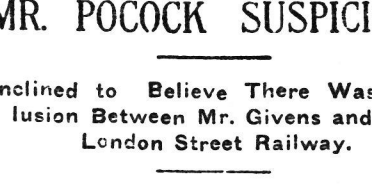
An argument arose as to whether Wonderland was part of Springbank, and subsequently covered by the London street railway, and there was also a difference of opinion as to the extent of Wonderland.

The matter was laid over for a week to discover the area of Wonderland, and also whether or not it formed part of Springbank.

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WENT THROUGH FLOOR

Fire Causes Collapse of a Moving Picture Theatre.

Johnstown, Pa., Feb. 21.—Five hundred persons attending a small theatre at Patton, near here, Saturday night were precipitated into the basement of the building when the floor collapsed, during a fire, and one person was killed. Men, women and children were struggling in the debris, and to add to the panic the firemen were forced to turn streams of water into the basement where the crowd was struggling to escape the flames.

The fire started from an unknown origin, in the basement of the building, while the theatre on the first floor was filled with people watching a moving picture show. By the time smoke began to appear in the room the floor had already been weakened by the flames, and when the rush for the doors began the floor collapsed, allowing the struggling crowd to drop in a mass to the basement. The entire structure was burned. The upper part of the building was occupied by business offices.

While but one body was recovered, a score of rescued were injured seriously, while hardly a person in the building escaped without bruises. In the rush for the exits two coal stoves were overturned.

Many of the victims succeeded in climbing out of the basement to safety, but many others were caught under the timbers and trampled by those who had been thrown on top in the collapse.

Many of the victims were pinned down and unable to extricate themselves, and were rescued by firemen.

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KILLED BY HORSE'S KICK.

Walkerton, Feb. 20.—M. House, a young married man, was killed yesterday by being kicked by a horse in the stables of the Hartley House here, where he was employed.

WANT WOMAN'S VOTE.

Parkhill, Feb. 21.—At the annual meeting of the Farmer's and Women's Institutes Friday, a resolution was passed to be forwarded to Premier Whitney, asking the Government to support Mr. Studholme's bill for the enfranchisement of women in Ontario. The delegates, Mr. Emerson, of Belleville, Mr. Giblin, of Elvira, gave solid, interesting addresses on home and farm problems, which were thoroughly enjoyed by the assembled members and their wives.

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A LONG DUEL.

London, Feb. 19.—Marquis Campbell, the Spanish military attaché at London, fought a duel here today with M. Payer, a well-known Paris merchant. The duel lasted for an hour and a half, when Payer finally ran the marquis through the arm. The adversaries were still unconquered on leaving the field. The affair has caused a great deal of gossip in social circles.

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