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COUNCIL HANDS OVER HARBOR PROPERTY

Maguire, McBride and Baird Only Councillors Opposing Transfer of \$2,259,809 Worth of Ashbridge's Bay Land to Harbor Commissioners.

Voting 14 for and 3 against, the city council turned over \$2,259,809 worth of waterfront land in Ashbridge's Bay to the harbor commission last night.

The chief feature of the debate was the point brought up questioning the city's right to convey the property absolutely. Ald. Phelan believed the act of the Dominion Parliament did not give that authority.

For the Mayor, Controllers Spence, Ward, Hooker, Aldermen Phelan, Hillson, Weston, Yeomans, May, McCausland, Anderson, O'Neill, Chisholm and Rowland—14.

Against: Aldermen Maguire, Baird, McBride—3.

It was expected that the council would pass a bylaw to appoint a fair wage officer, but they simply approved the idea, read the bill a first time and laid the question over until next year.

City Treasurer Coady, in reporting again against the handing over of \$2,259,804 worth of waterfront property to the harbor commission, restated his arguments.

"The appointment of the commissioners by the city is merely illusory,"

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BAD ADVISERS.

Toronto is to be one of the great cities of Canada, of America. She ought to be the greatest city north of the lakes.

Progressive measures for enlarging Toronto's bounds and giving improved one-rate traction and improved electric power service are now before the property owners.

The private companies that are affected by these improvements have managed to get the city hall officials to think and to say that Toronto is at the end of her development, that "a slump" is in sight.

It is for the business men, for the merchants, for the citizens, for all people who work, to say whether that is their view of Toronto or not.

Our business, our growth, is so great—how 40,000-people city a year is added to Toronto—that everything we have is overtaxed to keep up with the demand: traction, water, streets, railway accommodation, civic lighting, houses, hotels, apartments, labor, waiters, men, cabs, messenger boys, factory help, etc., etc. We can't handle our business.

Where are the business men? The World knows that they will vote for and ask others to vote for all the by-laws and a bigger Toronto.

MR. SHUSTER IS OUT OF OFFICE

Persians Resent Action of Cabinet, But Treasurer-General Bows to Inevitable—No Massacres, Say Russians.

TEHRAN, Persia, Dec. 26.—(Can. Press.)—W. Morgan Shuster, the American treasurer-general of Persia, who has been dismissed from office by the cabinet in compliance with the demands contained in the Russian ultimatum, to-day sent his reply to the cabinet, in which he stated his willingness to hand over his accounts when his successor was named.

RAGE AGAINST LOGIC

The Telegram is out at last against tubes, viaduct and annexation of North Toronto. It is for the money bylaws, for the extension of the municipal hydro-electric system, and for the building of the Danforth-avenue car line! Well, that's something for The Telegram!

Russian Censor Despatches.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—A cablegram received to-day from American Minister Russell, at Teheran, dealt with plans being made to get Mr. Shuster and his family safely out of Persia.

Russians Deny Outrages.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 26.—(Can. Press.)—The Russian consul-general at Tabriz has telegraphed to-day to the Russian foreign office a vigorous denial of the charges of murder and outrage which have been launched against the Russian troops by the Persian authorities.

Troops for the Front.

JULFA, Persia, Dec. 26.—Another large force of Russian troops of all arms left here from their encampment in the vicinity of Ispahan for Tabriz to-day.

Russians Lost One Hundred.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 26.—A telegram from Tabriz says that the total loss of the Russians, killed and severely wounded in the recent fighting in that city, is about 100. Several bodies of Russian soldiers have been found partially buried.

HON. ADAM BECK'S TOUR.

Hon. Adam Beck will speak in several cities and towns through the province this week in favor of the passing of bylaws on New Year's Day to make contracts with the hydro-electric commission for the supply of power.

WHAT "SEVEN DAYS" IS.

It is a clean, amusing comedy, full of uproarious situations that make the people laugh every minute of the play. The matinee this afternoon and evening performance at the Princess will conclude the "Seven Days" visit here.

After-Christmas Fur Sale.

The Dineen Company begins to-day an after-Christmas fur sale. It was made imperative by an overstock of goods left after Christmas sellings. They are all select fur and the prices asked are very low. The display includes articles in Persian lamb, Chin-chilla Russian ermine, Canadian mink, Hudson Bay sable, Russian sable, saum marten, Alaska seal, fox and lynx. Visit the showrooms to-day.

STILL MUDDY YORK

Grand Trunk Makes War on C.P.R. Over New York-Winnipeg Rates

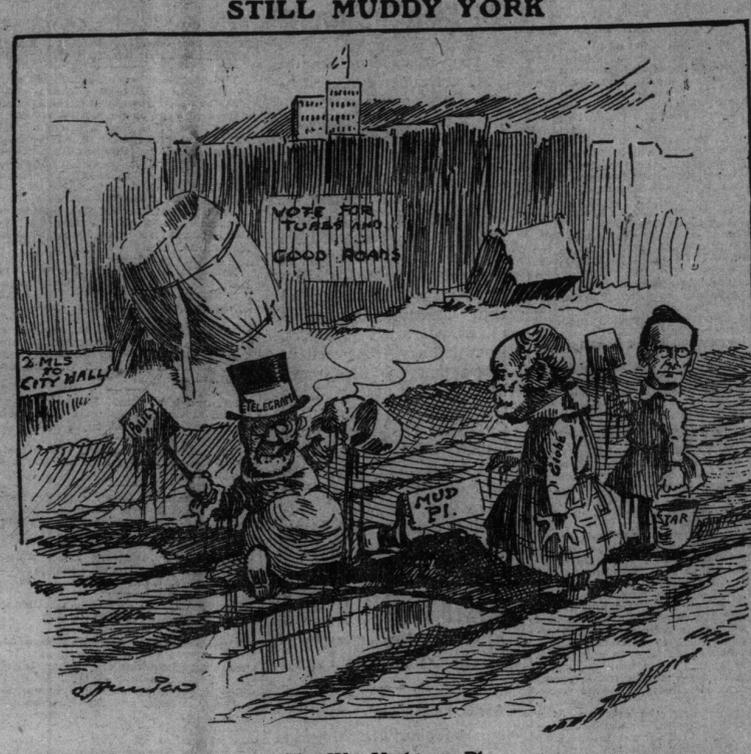
C. M. Hays, Annoyed Because Rival Has Better Facilities, Starts Movement to Divert Canadian Traffic From New York—Western Roads Back Up Grand Trunk.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—(Can. Press.)—Unless negotiations now being carried on in this city are successful, it is possible that passenger traffic for the Canadian West now coming to the port of New York will be diverted to other ports of the U. S.

The Grand Trunk Railway System considers itself aggrieved because it cannot get the same terms for passengers to Winnipeg as are accorded to the Canadian Pacific, thru the latter's connection with the New York Central's lines.

Chas. M. Hays is pushing the negotiations for his company and is said to have the backing of the various steamship companies arriving at this port.

The railroads west of Chicago are also favorable to the Grand Trunk



The Wee Yorkies at Play.

Cannot Break Marriage Tie Vatican's Reply to Count Boni

Wedlock, Properly Carried Out Under Law of Church of Rome, Constitutes Permanent Bond, is Pointed Out—Count May Renew Application.

ROME, Dec. 26.—(Can. Press.)—The Vatican has declined to grant to Count Boni de Castellane an annulment of his marriage with Anna Gould, who is now the Duchess of Talleyrand and Sagan.

Count Boni left here to-night for Paris. He expects to return to Rome about the middle of January. It is thought that he will bring forward new points on which to base another application for annulment.

HYDRO LINE TAMPERED WITH.

LONDON, Dec. 26.—London street lights (power supply from hydro-electric) went out to-night for 20 minutes. Enquiry shows the trouble was due to a broken insulator between here and Woodstock, and it is believed the damage was deliberately done.

Photos of Leap Year Babies

In connection with our recent announcement that The Toronto Daily World would present all babies born on the 29th February of this coming leap year, with a silver mug, we desire to say that we will be glad to receive and publish photographs of babies who participated in this award last leap year, that is, babies who were born on the 29th of February, four years ago, and who received The World's silver mugs. These pictures should be sent in addressed to the Silver Mug Department of The World.

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FREEZING IN CALIFORNIA

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CARS HOLD BACK ANTI-TUBE ORATOR

Controller Spence Stands Waiting in the Rain While Bunches of Wrong Cars Go Past—Dundas Car Was Packed But Meeting Was Not.

Thirty-five men and four women had to wait half an hour for the arrival of Controller F. S. Spence last night at the Library Hall, Annette-st. It was not Mr. Spence's fault entirely. It was merely a demonstration of his misplaced confidence in the Toronto Street Railway. When in the measurable future, candidates leave the shelter of their palatial Spadina-ave. district homes to travel to ward seven meetings, they will be able to be on time, i.e., when the city is in possession of the tubes.

Unfortunately for Controller Spence, he had no tube system to travel by. In his bland and child-like and abiding faith in the Toronto Street Railway, he thought quite naturally that by allowing himself a good margin of time, he would be able to get out to Annette-st. in fairly good time.

Controller Spence was mistaken. The T. S. R. threw him down. Taking up a partially sheltered position in Queen-st., Controller Spence glanced eastward. Yes, there was a west bound car coming all right, all right, but, no, it was not a Dundas, it was a Queen car.

Joys of the Car Service. Alas for the trustful controller, eight west bound Queen cars came along before one Dundas appeared.

Inside the car it was too bad. Tired out with the big day's civic service, F. S. was fully entitled to a seat. He espied one, the narrow one left so warm and cozy by the side of the stove by the kind Toronto Street Railway directorate. But this luxury was short lived. People crowded in rapidly and like all diplomatic civic candidates, he rose and gave up his seat.

As Controller Spence descended from the car at Keele-street he could see

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Freak of Weather Nips Orange Crop, While Down in Frisco Frost Whitens Ground.

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Persistent smudging probably has saved the growing crop from injury, but in some districts to-night's temperature is awaited with anxiety. What damage already has been done is not considered sufficient to bring the crop below the average.

There was a rise in temperature to-day that encouraged growers to believe that to-night's frost would not be severe.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 26.—For the first time in years, Central California has experienced a "white Christmas," not white with real snow, but a mantle of frost that almost answered the purpose.

Temperatures reported to the government weather bureau for the last twenty-four hours, ranged from 20 degrees to 42 degrees above zero.

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In the uncontrollable expenditures \$2,399,000 has been spent out of \$2,865,000. There are overdrafts totaling \$32,772. But there are also unexpended balances totaling \$1,082,928.

The works department has spent \$540,000 out of its allowance of \$640,000. The water-works branch has spent \$221,000 out of \$383,000, and the fire and light committee has only \$132,000 left out of \$349,000.