

W. A. and Housing Problem.

At last night's meeting of the N.I.W.A. very enthusiastic and many urged the need of the solution of the housing problem. Hon. J. was introduced by Pres- T. M. White. Mr. Anderson stated that the matter of raising \$200,000 was comparatively easy if com- was aimed at. The com- for the building of the houses is known as the Do- Co-Operative Building As- sion, Ltd., and will have a capital of 10,000 shares at \$100 each and shares at \$200 each. The ob- of the company is to build 600 as quickly as possible for the man of this city. The style, best favored, is one contain- a combination kitchen and dining- a sitting room, three bedrooms a bath room. The houses will be terraces of five, and naturally be well ventilated, well sewered. The rental on the houses will be the rate of 6 c. of the cost, and per month rental is expected to the maximum (that will cover a which cost \$1,500 or \$1,600. tenants for the houses shall be ballot, but no man can become a unless first a shareholder. (The amount need for these houses has already stated in these pages.) He it to say that the speaker re- what he has hitherto said on subject, pledging his assistance the solution was arrived at. his address he said that al- wharfage and carriage had been granted free, and the seventy shareholders already enrolled was a omen of success.

Mr. M. P. Gibbs was the next speaker, and he asserted that inter- was largely due to unclean- ness. He declared that if democ- is to live then it must have to the people, and no improve- can come until the slums are and decent houses furnished every working man.

The next speaker, President James of the L.S.P.U. drove home the minds of all present the urgen- of immediately tackling the hous- problem. He portrayed some of the conditions of the city, and pleaded early bettering of the same, say- the remedy lay with the working themselves.

Mr. McCarter, the architect, pled- his support to help in any way for betterment of the masses.

Mr. John Diamond, who is here a brief visit from Canada, by- spoke, dwelling on some of the pleasant towns in Canada, and that he was glad to see the earnest awakening in the people of St. John's. He impressed the audi- by saying that the opportunity now present and that it behooved to seize it, and to do away with the disgraceful aspects of our city in the housing respect.

Messrs. F. Goff, G. Tucker, J. Ca- A. E. Earle, Foley, W. Smith, S. and T. Noel also spoke, but we are unable to give a fraction of what they said. In conclusion no man become a landlord under this or raise the rent at his own but a tenant may buy his own if willing.

The following resolution proposed W. A. O'D. Kelly, and seconded by P. Bennett, was carried unani- mously:

Whereas, it is recognized that there is an insufficiency of houses to meet the requirements of our people; and Whereas, we also realize that certain sections of the housing com- are a menace to the health and of the citizens, and a disgrace to the city;

and Whereas, the greatest number to suffer inconveniences for- upon them by such conditions are the working class, of which we are part;

and Whereas, the Governments of England, America and Canada are already interesting themselves in a solution of a similar problem in the interest of their working people;

Therefore Resolved, that this meeting express its approval of and its whole-hearted endorsement to the great housing scheme of the Do- Co-Operative Building As- sion;

and be it further Resolved, that we consider it the duty of the Govern- ment and City Council to materially assist or co-operate with the Domi- Co-Operative Building Association in their aims to better the housing con- of the working people of this city.

A vote of thanks to Messrs. Ander- son, Gibbs, McCarter, the architect, and Diamond was proposed by Mr. Shipman, seconded by Mr. Morris, warmly accorded and tender- by the Chairman, to whom a vote of thanks was also passed on motion of Hon. John Anderson.

Choooner Loses Seaman.

Shop & Sons received a message evening stating that their sch- Theriault had arrived at Bar- in a battered condition. Sea- Coody of this city was reported having been lost. It is more than months since this vessel left for the other side, whence she for Barbados.

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