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THE AMENDED BILL.

At time of writing it is not known in what form the bill relating to the city of St. John and the distribution of the hydro-electric current from Musquash will finally emerge from the legislature. If its provisions should sacrifice any interest of the citizens of St. John for the benefit of the New Brunswick Power Company it would not only be a gross injustice but a violation of the spirit of the legislation which was passed by the house to enable municipalities to get the full benefit of hydro-electric development. St. John merely asks that it be given that benefit without interference. The original bill has been amended with new provisions the full effect of which is not quite clear, but it establishes the right of the city to take and distribute the Musquash current. Other sections set forth a course of action that may be taken if necessary to protect the city's interests in other directions. A satisfactory clause gives the citizens the right to say by referendum whether or not they would purchase all the properties of the New Brunswick Power Company. That is to say, the decision would rest with them and would not be forced on them. What the city asks is simple enough. It asks that it be placed in a position to get the benefit of the hydro-electric policy which has been endorsed by the legislature in the interests of municipalities throughout the province, and that in taking and distributing the current it be not subjected to loss in other directions by any arbitrary act of a private corporation. If the bill before the house gives reasonable protection to the city, in accordance with the spirit of the legislation which authorized hydro-electric development, it will be satisfactory. If that protection were not given, the public money expended at Musquash would have been expended in vain, so far as the interests of the people are concerned. Presumably the legislature will decide today.

A WISE DECISION.

The Maritime Branch of the Amateur Athletic Union of Canada went on record yesterday by a large majority in favor of the affidavit which athletes are required to take. The action of President A. W. Covey and the executive, which had already been endorsed by the executive of the A. A. U. of C., was thus confirmed. Among those who voted against the affidavit yesterday were quite a number whose objection was to the form rather than the spirit of the affidavit. There was no open advocacy of a mixture of amateurs with professionals, but a few delegates would so broaden the definition of an amateur as to make little distinction between the two. Their views did not prevail, although it was made very clear that there was no disposition to deal in an arbitrary or unfair manner with any athlete.

Yesterday's action clears the atmosphere. If it should result in the formation of professional leagues anywhere there can be no objection. All that the A. A. U. of C. desires is that the distinction between amateur and professional be sharply drawn, and that is in the interests of clean sport. It is a gratifying fact that no votes against the affidavit were registered by St. John clubs. If all the clubs will now heartily accept the decision of the governing body they will find they can have as good sport as we have in St. John, and that is by no means of the tame sort. It will no doubt be found that in dealing with athletes who honestly desire to remain amateur, but may have inadvertently infringed upon the rules, the registration committee will upon full explanation make every possible allowance the facts may seem to justify. What is essential is that the line be drawn between those who take money and those who do not, and if every club resolves to act on that principle no serious difficulty will present itself.

What the assembled delegates did yesterday will have a very marked influence upon amateur sport in these provinces for years to come. The example set by the maritime provinces will have a good effect throughout Canada, for similar difficulties have arisen everywhere. There are in every community two classes in relation to sport. One wants fast sport and does not care whether it is clean or not. The other wants clean sport even if it is not fast. In the interests of the boys who are coming up the wheels of the latter class should prevail.

The small grant provided in the supplementary estimates at Fredericton for the Natural History Society is money well spent. This Society is doing a notable work of education in this province.

The tariff and other matters of minor importance are no longer interesting to the American people. The baseball season has begun.

The St. Lawrence river is open to Montreal. The winter port season at St. John is drawing to a close. On the whole it has been a fairly busy season, but next winter should witness much greater activity.

AT GENOA.

Of the Genoa conference the New York Evening Post says: "It has been predicted of the Genoa conference that it will end in futility because two 'fundamentals' of European reconstruction have been excluded from the agenda. These are frontiers and German reparations. But there is a fundamental, broader than either of these two, which the very convocation at Genoa does recognize. And that is the unity of European interests. It is a long step forward that Allies shall sit down in council with neutrals, with former enemies, and with that complex Russia which has been at different times an ally, a neutral, and an enemy. If progress can be made with the purely economic problems, much will have been done to create an atmosphere in which the forbidden topics can be either touched upon or, at least, scheduled for future discussion. The conference, in the first place, can deal with practicalities. The conference, in the second place, can listen to the neutrals, to Germany, to Russia. It will be a considerable gain if Germany's case is uttered before the world, and not piecemeal in the Reichstag or in inspired interviews or in notes to the Allies. It will be a gain if the Bolshevik government speaks out in a civilized forum and we are no longer dependent upon what Lenin tells his Communist congresses or what Radek tells his Third Internationale friends. Genoa will be of use if it substitutes the forum for the soap box."

THE TREASURE HUNTERS.

Still another attempt is about to be made to find the treasure believed to have been buried long ago in the sand of Cocos Island in the Pacific. After each failure in the past, old charts of the island alleged to show just where the treasure is have been discarded and newly found charts seized upon by treasure hunters with all the eagerness of school boys searching for a new swimming hole, but no one has yet succeeded in finding the spot where the pirates are supposed to have hidden their fortunes. The result of the present undertaking will be awaited with interest by a great number of people who believe all they ever heard about pirates and their ways; those who take little or no stock in the tales of buried treasure on out of the way islands will not be unduly excited by the reports of newly discovered charts and directions which if followed must surely lead to success and great wealth.

Cocos Island lies 600 miles off shore in the night of Panama. A vast amount of treasure from the churches of Lima is said to have been buried there. Another story is that Sir Henry Morgan hid an enormous amount of loot on the island. The fact that Sir Henry Morgan was never in the Pacific makes no difference to the story teller. The report, lives, and treasure hunters continue to go to Cocos Island in search of Morgan's wealth.

It has been said that more money has been spent on treasure-hunting expeditions to Cocos Island than any pirate ever had. And each new hunter is sure he has the correct chart.

The appeal to the citizens in behalf of the free milk fund will undoubtedly meet with a sympathetic response. The Local Council of Women did not themselves realize at the outset how necessary such a fund is, or how great a benefit it may confer. Not one of the 124 babies thus supplied with milk during the last year has died. During the coming summer the need of such a fund will be great, and a sufficient amount should now be contributed to meet the requirements. On general principles the Council of Women should be supported, for all its work is of a beneficent character. The free milk fund is administered in such a manner as to confer the widest benefit, and there is no waste.

The board of health has decided that St. John should have pasteurized milk, and gives six months for preparation. Hon. Dr. Roberts suggests a campaign of education. The Times has been doing something along this line and will welcome the co-operation of the health department. Sooner or later we shall have pasteurized milk as is the rule in progressive cities both in Canada and the United States. Let the education campaign begin.

The title of earl will not add nothing to the fame of Mr. Balfour, but if he desires the leisure of the House of Lords he has earned the right to sit in that chamber. The honor is to the lords rather than to Balfour.

MIGRATION OVER HIGHWAY FATAL TO COUNTLESS FROGS

Hamilton, April 13.—The Toronto-Hamilton Highway for 800 feet west of the Brant Hospital, is covered with blood and the bodies of countless frogs. The frogs, called to life by the sun, left their breeding places and tried to cross the highway to the marshes. They were caught under the wheels of the constant stream of motors and ground to death.

Use the Want Ad. Way

MORE BILLS PASS HOUSE AT BUSY SESSION

Fredericton, April 12.—The usual last minute rush is taking place in the house and today ten bills were given their third reading. The supplementary estimates totalling \$15,111.72, were brought down this evening and included \$800 additional grant for the Natural History Society of St. John. Five hundred dollars was provided for this purpose in the budget. Provisions also were made to pay \$1,000 sessional indemnity each to Henry Diette and D. A. Stewart for the session of 1921 which they were unable to attend.

In committee of the whole the bills regarding the assessment of T. S. Simms & Company, Ltd., and the Cornwall & York Cotton Mills, Ltd., were amended to prevent placing a fixed valuation for school purposes.

An important resolution was moved by Mr. Estabrooks, of Westmorland, providing for trade agents with the West Indies. Lewis Smith, of Albert, seconded the motion, and Premier Foster also spoke in its favor. It was carried unanimously.

The report of the mental survey of the province was tabled by Hon. Dr. Roberts.

Mr. Estabrooks, pursuant to notice, moved, second by Mr. Smith (Albert), the following resolution:

"Resolved, that whereas the market for agricultural, fishery and other products is available in the West India Islands; and whereas there are now being operated two lines of steamers from maritime ports to those islands; and whereas in the interests of the people generally it is essential that our markets be enlarged; therefore, be it

"Resolved that this house express its approval of the appointment by the government of New Brunswick of one or more trade agents under the department of agriculture to represent this province in the above named territories."

Hon. Mr. Foster said that the resolution before the house concerned a matter of public interest, and had for its object the broadening of the markets for the products of New Brunswick. He was pleased to have hon. members bring to the notice of the legislature matters in which the people had a deep interest. The proposal of the hon. member for Westmorland might involve some expense, and if the government had gone ahead with it without a discussion in the house, it might have been said by some critics that it was merely a scheme for the appointment of new officials. All hon. members knew of the depression existing in the agricultural and lumbering industries and would agree that additional markets for the products of these industries would be of benefit to the country. The province was suffering from restricted markets, largely brought about by tariff conditions in the United States. If new markets could be found it would be to the advantage of all, and he hoped the officials of the agricultural department would endeavor to work out some plan by which the purposes of the resolution could be carried into effect. The province did not need trade commissioners, but wanted men who would be to the West Indies and look up business for exporters. He would heartily support the resolution and wished to thank the hon. member and second for having brought the matter to the attention of the government.

The resolution was unanimously adopted without division.

The house then went into committee, with Mr. Hayes in the chair, and took up consideration of the bill to amend the public health act.

Hon. Mr. Roberts said that the bill gave power to municipal councils to appoint four instead of three of the members of district boards of health. It also gave power to cities and towns to increase their representation on health boards. Another section made the appointment of sanitary inspectors optional with the municipalities.

The bill was agreed to.

Now She Doesn't Need the Doctor

WHY JOHN HAMILL PRAISES DODD'S KIDNEY PILLS.

When He Found Them His Wife Found Relief. That's why he Tells Sufferers to use Dodd's Kidney Pills. Marietown, Sask., April 12.—(Special).—Mr. John Hamill, a well-known and highly respected resident here, is a firm believer in Dodd's Kidney Pills. "I speak on behalf of my wife," Mr. Hamill says, "when asked the reason why. 'She has been ailing for years. I had doctors attending her, but she didn't seem to get any better. 'At last I found Dodd's Kidney Pills and my wife found relief. She kept taking them from time to time. Now she doesn't need the doctor. 'Also since childhood Mrs. Hamill has been a sufferer from constipation. She found relief from that in Dodd's Kidney Pills. 'Nine-tenths of the ills that dog the pathway of suffering women come from diseased kidneys. Ask your neighbors. Dodd's Kidney Pills do not make strong, healthy kidneys."

STRUCK BY TRUCK BUT WAS UNINJURED

Gordon Loret, the five-year-old son of James Loret, of 40 North street, was run over in Pond street, near the freight sheds, yesterday afternoon by a Manchester, Robertson, Allison, Ltd., motor truck and sustained a bad shock but no injuries. The child was taken to the hospital, and an examination made, but he recovered sufficiently to be taken to his home last evening. The accident happened about 4 o'clock, and it is thought that the child was playing in the road and, not seeing the truck, dodged in front of it.

HON. DR. ROBERTS SPEAKS REGARDING PASTERIZATION

Fredericton, April 12.—When asked about the resolution passed by the St. John sub-district Board of Health regarding pasteurization of milk at its meeting on Tuesday, the minister of health said that such resolution was quite within the rights of the board, but before going into operation would have to receive his approval.

The minister expressed himself as being in hearty sympathy with pasteurization but before subscribing to its becoming law, felt that it would be necessary to institute a propaganda of education along such lines, pointing out to the people the need of such service.

This was necessary, more especially in view of the largely signed petition against pasteurization recently circulated, and containing, he understood, some 6,000 names, or upwards.

Already considerable has been done, and a very important contribution to the educational movement would be the address to be given by Dr. Charles J. Hastings, medical officer of health of Toronto, and Dr. North of New York at the forthcoming meeting of the Canadian Public Health Association in St. John in June.

Both of these authorities were notable exponents of pasteurization and well fitted to expound its advantages. The minister said that when he felt that conditions were such as to make profitable and ready acceptance of this measure by the people of city he would gladly give his assent to the action contemplated in the board's resolution.

THE GILLEN BOARD RESIGNS TO MAKE WAY FOR ANOTHER

(Canadian Press Despatch) Ottawa, April 12.—The Gillen board, re-convened by the minister of labor a few days ago to conduct a further inquiry into the Nova Scotia coal mining troubles, has ceased to exist and in its place a new board of conciliation and investigation has been provided for by Hon. James Murdock, minister of labor, under the industrial disputes division act, section 63-A, to carry out the duties placed before the Gillen board when re-convened. This was announced from the department of labor tonight.

U. E. Gillen, of Toronto, chairman of the board, and James Ling, mayor of Wexford (N. S.), resigned from the re-convened board and their resignations were accepted by Hon. Mr. Murdock.

Hon. Mr. Murdock said that he would at once "try to request both the employers and employees concerned to recommend the name of a person competent to act as a member of a board of investigation."

BOMB INJURES SIX IN NEW YORK CITY

(Canadian Press Despatch) New York, April 12.—Six persons were injured tonight when a bomb exploded in a tenement house on the east side, demolishing the stairway between the ground and fourth floors and tearing a large hole in a wall of one of the apartments.

CHALEUR ARRIVES FROM WEST INDIES

The steamer Chaleur arrived in port yesterday from Bermuda and the West Indies and docked at McLeod's wharf at six o'clock. She carried ninety-six passengers, of whom seventy were cabin, one second and twenty-five third class. Among the cabin passengers were the delegation from the Canadian Manufacturers' Association, by E. R. Macdonald, and twenty-five other passengers. A party of five naval ratings were on board en route to England. Most of the other cabin passengers were destined to the United States. Among the third class voyagers were seven Chinese, who are going to their homes in China. The Chaleur also carried a full cargo, consisting mostly of sugar and molasses, and a quantity of mail. The weather was somewhat rough, but nothing eventful occurred during the voyage.

HAD SERVED IN FREDERICTON

Montreal, April 12.—Captain E. R. Lamontagne, who died here today at his residence, 16 Third Avenue, Maisonneuve, had been in military life for thirty-two years. He served with the Royal Canadian Regiment in St. John's (Que.), Halifax and Fredericton. He was fifty-seven years of age and was a son of Louis Lamontagne, formerly of Le Soleil (Que.).

REV. WILLIAM JOHN MCKAY, L. L. D., DEAD

Toronto, April 12.—Rev. William John McKay, L.L.D., editor of the Canadian Baptist, died today at his home here. Dr. McKay fell unconscious while dressing to go to the office on Monday morning and did not regain consciousness before his death today. Death was due to uremia.

COUSIN SUCCEEDS SIR JOHN EATON

Toronto, April 12.—At a meeting of the board of directors of the T. Eaton Company, Limited, today, R. Y. Eaton, cousin of the late Sir John Eaton, was elected president. He has been first vice-president for many years.

Harry McGee, former second vice-president, was elected first vice-president and Charles Booth, second vice-president.

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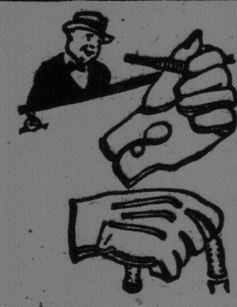
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NEW ARRIVALS DAILY

WOMAN GETS MONEY AFTER THIRTY YEARS

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WOULD KILL STEEL TRADE IN ENGLAND

Southampton, April 12.—Arthur Balfour, British steel magnate, sailed for New York today on board the steamer Olympic. He plans to go to Washington for interviews with President Harding and leading senators concerning the proposed sixty-six per cent. import duty on high speed steel. Mr. Balfour declared that if this provision was retained in the pending tariff bill it would kill the steel trade in the English market.

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