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**J. K. SCAMMEL OFFERS TO AID
IN SELECTING VALLEY ROUTE**

**Mayor to Report on Matter Later — Commissioner Potts
in Annual Report Favors Elimination of Mill Street
Crossing.**

A communication from J. K. Scammel, a civil engineer, in which he offered his services in the work of deciding upon the route of the Valley Railway, was read at yesterday's session of the city council. The communication was referred to Mayor Potts to report upon later. A report submitted by the commissioner of finance and public affairs was adopted section by section. The report contained a provision for the appropriation of \$100 for the Sligo Battery. A long list of the amounts passed by the comptroller for March payments was received. They include: Treasury department, \$132.06; public safety, \$223.61; public works, \$1,074.59; water and sewerage, \$660.99; harbors and ferries, \$2,838.34.

Commissioner Potts' Report.
Commissioner Potts in the first installment of his annual report, which was received by the council, suggested that the congestion of traffic on Mill Street, opposite the Union station, be relieved by the railroads. After reviewing the negotiations between the city and the street railway company and, resulting agreement, the commissioner points out how the revenue to be derived from the company is to be used in an extensive plan for the construction of permanent streets.

The commissioner deals with the snow removal problem and intimates that the time is coming when the city will have to undertake the entire work.

Mention is made of the plans for widening the street at the corner of Mill and Main, which is to be put into effect soon.

The report in part follows:

City and Street Railway.
In taking charge of the Public Works Department it became necessary to look closely into the matter of how most economically to build and improve our public streets, particularly along the sections travelled by the St. John Railway Co. On looking carefully into this matter I learned that the city, whenever building streets, had also provided the foundation for street railway tracks to run upon. By comparison of the streets through which the railway does not run and streets where the railway service runs through I ascertained the difference in cost to be considerable. A six or eight inch concrete or tar macadam street was all that was required on a street where the railway did not travel; but on a street through which the railway runs it requires an extra six inches underneath the tracks, making either twelve or sixteen inches of material on the several streets through which railway tracks were laid; reasonably, I thought, this extra amount should be a charge upon the Saint John Railway Co., but on taking the question up with the officials in the department and representatives of our city, I learned that the city had always provided this foundation and the taxpayers paid for the bill. Feeling this was not right I attempted to have the Saint John Railway Co. pay for same.

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Main Street Rails.
I first tried through conferences with those in authority and failed. I resorted to the courts—who said they should put down a suitable foundation equal to the pavement which the city was laying, which they still refused to do and resorted to further legal proceedings. I then removed the rails in Main street and laid down a concrete street. An injunction was then placed upon the city prohibiting further interference with the railway company's tracks.

(I would here like to state for the benefit of the taxpayers that the concrete laid down was laid in such a way that it could be removed and placed on the sidewalks around Victoria Square, which was graded and curbs placed before this concrete was laid with the intention that the concrete laid on Main street would be placed there after being removed. This was done, and it is one of the finest sidewalks we have at present in the city. I might also say the labor and work was paid for out of the amount provided by the street railway company.)

The suits in court continued, so I had a bill prepared to be presented to the legislature attempting to have legislation enacted as a cure for the evils that I felt existed. In the meantime I kept on negotiating in an attempt to have a settlement effected with the St. John Railway Company whereby we could get along in a friendly, harmonious way, as it was necessary, either to have an agreement satisfactory to the city made, or fight a bill through the house for a change in the legislation affecting the changed asked for. At all events an agreement was made, which I consider greatly in the interest of the city, and which I preferred accepting to changing the bill I had before the legislature. This agreement gives the city \$5,000 per mile towards the construction of railroad bed, which would be \$15,000 over the tracks operated in the city by the Saint John Railway Company. It also provides that no costs would be charged to the city, no damage claimed and all injunctions removed.

To Build Good Streets.
The intention of the Commissioner is to build good streets without additional bond issue, and the first principle for proper street making is drainage, so with the question settled with the Street Railway Co. we can build our streets with crown from centre and proper drainage to gutter. The first section to be covered will be the completion of Main street from Douglas avenue to Indian town, along Douglas avenue from Main street to new bridge over Falls, along City road to One Mile House, from Kane's Corner to the corner of Brussels and Union streets; Britain street from Reed's Point to Pitt street, and from Union street, West St. John through the principal thoroughfares.

For the benefit of those who feel that there is no expense attached to sanding sidewalks and removing snow, I might say that the amount that has been expended up to the middle of March this year for that purpose has been \$2,317.27, and for properly taking care of the whole city, sanding streets, removing snow and cleaning sidewalks, an annual amount of \$20,000 would be required.

I am working on a plan to submit in reference to this matter at a later date, as it is important and must be dealt with on a much larger scale than we have been able so far to accomplish.

Mill Street Crossing.
One of the greatest drawbacks to vehicular and passenger traffic is the crossing at Union Station, and one that has taxed the minds of public men at City Hall for many years. The remedies suggested by them and the citizens have been looked carefully into by myself as commissioner of

**PLAN FOR NEW
ISOLATION
HOSPITAL**

Board of Health and Municipal Authorities to Confer on Friday — Yesterday's Meeting.

As it was the intention of the Board of Health to confer with the municipal council regarding the erection of a new isolation hospital, the regular meeting was held early yesterday afternoon in the board rooms on Prince street. However, owing to a misunderstanding, the meeting with the municipal council will not take place until Friday. The board was notified yesterday that the committee of municipal buildings would hold an investigation on Thursday at which testimony would be taken under oath to ascertain, if possible, the origin of the fire which destroyed the isolation hospital on the Sand Point road.

Members of the board, as well as the officials, matron and caretaker will be asked to give evidence.

Miss Sutherland, who has been in charge of the tubercular case in the city, read her report at yesterday's meeting which met with the approval of the board. Miss Sutherland informed the board that she had accepted a position as nurse for overseas duty and advised the board of her resignation.

Posters were ordered to be printed and posted throughout the city advising landlords and tenants to clean their properties as the health inspector will soon be making an inspection.

Action was ordered against milk vendors in the city, who have failed to notify the board of the names and addresses of the parties who produce milk, in accordance with the milk regulations, as the list should have been in the hands of the board before April 1st.

A draft of a proposed by-law concerning the licensing of lodging houses was presented to the board but it was ordered to be laid over until the next meeting.

Senator Daniel occupied the chair in the absence of the regular chairman who is in the south.

public works during the past two years.

The suggestion has been made that an overhead bridge be built from Carleton street running over the station and making its terminus on Rockland road; another that commencing at the head of Dock street by Union an overhead street be built landing at Rockland road. In considering these things the expense to the city would be very great; the question again arises: What are the people's rights, the streets belong to the people and the safety of these streets must be protected in the interest of the people. These rights, through the power of legislation, have been taken in the interest of railway traffic, and although it did not appear to be serious at the time, traffic and conditions have developed to such an extent that it is not only dangerous but also inconvenient and a great hardship to those who make their living in hauling freight to and from different points of our city and find it necessary to pass over this section. With me it is simply another railway problem, and I propose to take the best means possible and attempt to have all changes to correct this evil made by the railway companies themselves without any damage to property or existing rights of the citizens. This I believe can be done by the building for railway purposes of a railroad bridge over the street; that I believe the reasonableness of this will appear to those who are responsible for the present nuisance, and I may say this question will be taken hold of at once.

I have also prepared plans and acquired the property at the corner of Mill and Main streets for the widening of this thoroughfare, which will be started in the course of the next month. When this work is completed it will make a vast difference in this dangerous turn at the corner of Main and Mill streets, and it will do much to improve the condition in this locality.

**BRONCHITIS
COMES FROM A
NEGLECTED COLD.**

Bronchitis starts with a short, painful, dry cough, accompanied with rapid wheezing, and a feeling of oppression or tightness through the chest. At first the expectoration is a light color but as the trouble progresses the phlegm arising from the bronchial tubes becomes of a yellowish or greenish color, and is very often of a stringy nature.

Bronchitis is usually at its worst in the morning on account of the phlegm becoming lodged in the bronchial tubes during the night, and it very often takes some time coughing and gagging before you can get the throat clear of the phlegm. When this happens you may be sure that if the bronchitis is not attended to immediately it will sooner or later develop into pneumonia, or some other more serious lung trouble.

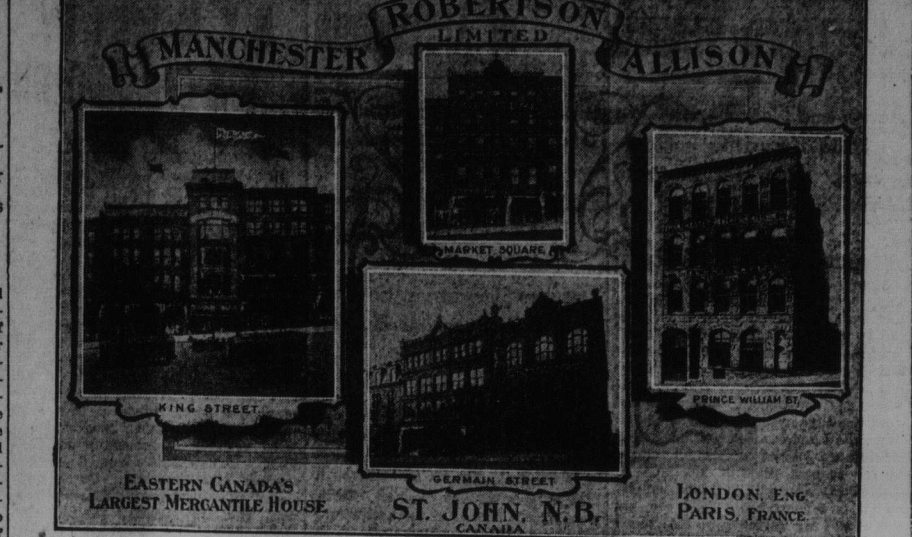
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In the year of 1866 the firm employed two clerks and three boys to wait on the public. That staff has increased year by year through the annals of commerce, until today over three hundred and fifty employees are registered upon the pay-roll of the firm. The first building occupied by M. R. & A. was the old Ennis and Gardner building situated in semi-obscure Prince William street. The firm occupied only a portion of the building, thirty-five feet in length and having a frontage of thirteen feet. From that occupancy of 1866 up to the present day the firm has been increasing their floor space in order to meet the expansion of business. The record of the firm has been one of continued progress. The house has grown with the city.

The facilities due to the winter port and the progress made in transportation in all directions have been a big factor in giving the establishment the prominent and unique position it holds in the commercial world today. It is worthy to note that the founders of the firm are all enjoying the best of health, although one of the members, James Manchester, retired from active service when the business was incorporated into a limited liability company, February 18th, 1901. He still keeps in close touch with the firm. Two of the founders of the firm are still active members, and no doubt they feel justly proud of their long and successful business career. It is hardly necessary to comment further upon the firm, with the exception that they enjoy an extensive wholesale trade with the retail buyers throughout the Maritime Provinces.

The Standard feels confident that the citizens generally will join with us in wishing them many more years yet to carry on their extensive enterprise in our city. Only those in close connection with the city's prosperity can fully realize the great help such a large concern is. The employment of so much labor, their good advice in civic problems, their generosity in all philanthropic and worthy causes, and their sterling integrity in business and commercial transactions demand profound and sincere respect.

It is worthy of note that the senior member recently donated a complete set of instruments to the 115th Battalion band and this is only one of many instances of generosity.

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