

Harbor Commission Act Discussed

City Council Spent Considerable Time Over the Matter Yesterday Afternoon and Adjourned Until Wednesday for Further Information.

The city council spent considerable time yesterday afternoon in a discussion of the Harbor Commission Act and the agreement of 1911 and finally adjourned to meet on Wednesday morning at 11 o'clock when further information regarding the revenue and expenses of the harbor and the opinion of the recorder re the validity of the agreement of 1911 in view of the Act of 1913.

The section regarding boundaries was first taken up and Commissioner Bullock contended that under that section, taking in as it did from Green Head to below the Island, the harbor would be charged with 3 1/2 per cent interest on the breakwaters as well as wharves although Hon. Mr. Carvell had expressed himself as of the opinion that such works were not a part of the harbor and did not come under the scope of the Harbor Commission Act.

Mayor Schofield thought the section made it plain that only wharves and elevators were included in the things on which interest was to be charged. Section seven in regard to the control and administration of the harbor was another section discussed.

The mayor asked how much good it was going to do the city if they kept control and whether there was any money to keep up the harbor if it was not sold to the government.

Commissioner Bullock contended that the agreement of 1911 made ample provision for the extension of facilities and no more wharves were needed on the west side anyway unless the C. P. R. was double tracked from Montreal and that so far as capital expenditure was concerned there would be very little increase as in the next ten years many of the bonds would be falling due and be paid off.

In answer to a question Mayor Schofield said the revenue for the government wharves for 1917-18 was \$68,000, the capital investment in wharves and elevator was \$3,865,000 and this at 3 1/2 per cent would call for a revenue of \$135,000.

Commissioner Jones suggested that a table showing the receipts and expenditures of the harbor for the past ten years be prepared and this would show the people whether it was worth hanging onto the harbor or not.

The mayor asked how the C. P. R. felt about the matter but no one could say where they stood on the matter. Commissioner Frink suggested that the present Act and the agreement of 1911 be considered together and age which was the best for the city. He pointed out that practically all the east side wharves were private property and quite a lot of the west side frontage had been handed over to the government already.

Commissioner Jones thought there was not sufficient information on which to vote and pressed for a statement of receipts and expenditures for the past ten years.

Commissioner Bullock did not think this would be fair as the figures would show a deficit but the story in the future would be different.

Mayor Schofield said he could prepare the statement asked for and also in his report tell of the future.

On motion it was decided to defer action until Wednesday when a meeting will be held at 11 o'clock at which the information asked for by Commissioner Jones will be available and the report of city solicitor, Baxter on the validity of the agreement of 1911.

Police Court Cases Yesterday

Number of Drunks, Non-Support Case, Having Liquor in Possession, Theft and Assault Cases Made up the Docket.

In the police court yesterday afternoon William Guthro, charged with being drunk and having liquor in his possession was fined \$200 or eight months in jail. Two other drunks were fined \$58 or two months.

A charge of non-support was preferred against Frank Buck by his wife. She stated that her husband had left home on the 28th of June without telling her where he was going. From then until July 8th she knew nothing of his whereabouts and had nothing to support herself and two year old son but her husband's pension of \$6 a month. She also complained that her husband when drunk swore at her and abused her.

The accused admitted having left home. He went to the races in Woodstock, he said, and back to his old home. He had always supported his wife in the past and promised if the magistrate would be lenient with him, he would do better, and made up his mind to quit drinking in the future. The magistrate was about to dismiss the case when the sister-in-law of the accused wanted to know what was going to be done about her dress. On being questioned by the magistrate she stated that her sister's husband while drunk had torn a piece out of her dress. She valued the garment at \$25, and did not think it could be repaired. The accused promised to make good the damages, and was allowed to go after promising to try and do better and leave drink alone.

James E. Verner was charged with the assault of his mother-in-law, Mrs. Mary Hatty, in her home on Brussels street. The case was taken up in the morning court, the accused pleading not guilty.

Mrs. Hatty stated that her son-in-law while under the influence of liquor took her by the shoulders and shook her, he also threatened to kick her, and said he would murder the family and burn down the house. She did not wish to send him to jail, but wanted him bound over to keep the peace. The case was settled to the satisfaction of all concerned when it was resumed in the afternoon, and the defendant was allowed to go. L. A. Conlon appeared for the complainant.

One case before the morning court might be taken as a revelation of the woman in the home in the present enlightened age, it was that in which Florence Mary Prince, was charged with assaulting her husband, Thomas Prince. The husband said that for the last few weeks he had a great deal of trouble with his wife: that she had kept bad hours and had been in the company with another man. One night, the witness said, she came in bed his wife came over to the side of the bed and struck him continually until he was forced to stop her. He said in consequence of information he went to Seaside Park where he found his wife with another. He said he asked her to go home with him and she did after a few minutes, but when they were going to the car she struck him in the face. Cross-examined by Roy A. Davidson, counsel for the accused, the witness said he had never used threatening language nor physical violence to her. He also said he never used a revolver or threatened her in any way.

Florence Mary Prince, the wife, said that her husband said if anything happened between them he would rid himself and somebody else with bullets. She said he produced a loaded revolver at the time. On the night of the alleged assault she said she took hold of her by the arms and forced her up to her room. She pleaded not guilty, and the case was postponed until her mother could be summoned as a witness.

After withdrawing the plea of not guilty, and pleading guilty to the charge preferred against them, that of stealing five cases of whiskey from the store of George K. Bell, Charlotte street, Lewis and William Doyle, William Alexander and George Haynes, were allowed to go on suspended sentence.

Edward McGarrigue was convicted from all connection with the theft, and the charge against him was withdrawn.

Four drunks pleaded guilty and were remanded.

Leonard Phillips was reported for exceeding the speed limit in Main street. The accused said he was in a hurry and did not realize he was going so fast. He was fined \$10.

Five juveniles were reported for riding bicycles on the sidewalks and were allowed to go with a caution.

Trouble Obtaining Polling Booths

Sheriff Amon A. Wilson has considerable trouble obtaining booths for today's election. Six polls for Wellington Ward will be held in the Brussels street church instead of Waterloo street.

In Sydney ward the polling places will be all in Britain street near the original locations. Three of the polls in Prince ward will be in Union street near Wentworth.

Four polls in Lorne ward have been shifted to Scott's new building, 224 Main street, and in Dufferin they will be slightly farther along Main street, near Hill.

The following is the list of deputy returning officers in the city and county, each name appearing in the order of the number of the district, beginning at No. 1:

- City of St. John. Kings ward—W. M. Barber, J. Walter Tait, Joseph Taylor, N. E. Moore. Wellington ward—Cecil Harding, J. W. Gale, Henry McFarlane, R. T. Worden, John T. McGowan, David J. Stockford, Edgar Campbell, E. N. Jones. Prince—D. A. Fox, Ernest J. Todd, H. Wannamaker, Alexander Crawford, A. W. Covey, R. H. Johnson, Edmund Owens, Edward Watson. Queens—Frank B. C. Gregory, John N. Golding, Jr., Frank Cronin, H. J. Keys, Stephen W. Palmer, L. A. Belyea, Thomas Hill. Dukes—George W. Currie, Captain Potter, A. V. DeWolfe, Geo. Drake, Edward Johnson, A. C. Gates. Sydney—Lawrence Manning, George W. Shaw, James J. Powers. Guys—Murray Beattie, J. Hunter Parsons, A. Sewell, Ernest S. Bissett, C. E. Rupert. Brooks—John Allingham, George H. Clark, Joseph O'Brien, A. E. Hart. Lorne—R. G. Leonard, George W. Mullin, W. R. Scott, Charles W. Scott, M. Coll, W. W. Chase, H. K. Oimsted, Henry Cronin. Lansdowne—D. Burke, Walter W. Hawker, F. W. Todd, R. J. Adams, W. B. Smith, Rudolph L. Bennett. Dufferin—W. S. Clawson, Andrew Doods, James A. Little, Thomas A. Graham, John H. Hamilton, W. A. Stepler, John Willett. Victoria—Charles Masters, A. E. Jenner, H. A. Prebble, George K. Burton, T. A. Linton, David Morrow. Stanley—W. J. Irvine, W. R. Giggey.

James Ireland Killed Yesterday

James Ireland, aged forty-five years, an employe at the Courtenay Bay Works, was killed by a ten ton rock which slipped from the sling of a hoisting derrick on which he was working. Clarence Porter who gives the signals to the men in charge of the hoist was the only witness of the accident. He shouted a warning to Ireland of his impending danger but even as he spoke the ponderous rock fell, striking Ireland on the back and hurling him to the ground. Dr. T. E. Bishop was called but the man died a few minutes after the doctor arrived. The deceased lived with his sister on the Sandy Point Road.

Coroner Horace A. Porter was notified and he viewed the remains yesterday afternoon, deciding that an inquest was necessary. He will probably empanel a jury today and the inquest will be held Monday evening.

- Catherwood, W. A. Stinson, Patrick J. McMurray. Lorneville village—W. J. Cox, Beaconsfield—G. Earle Logan, W. O. Dunham, A. Copp. Milford—Henry Gabley, Thomas Russell. Musquash parish—Dipper Harbor, Alexander Corcarden; Chance Harbor, James Thompson; Musquash village, George A. Anderson.

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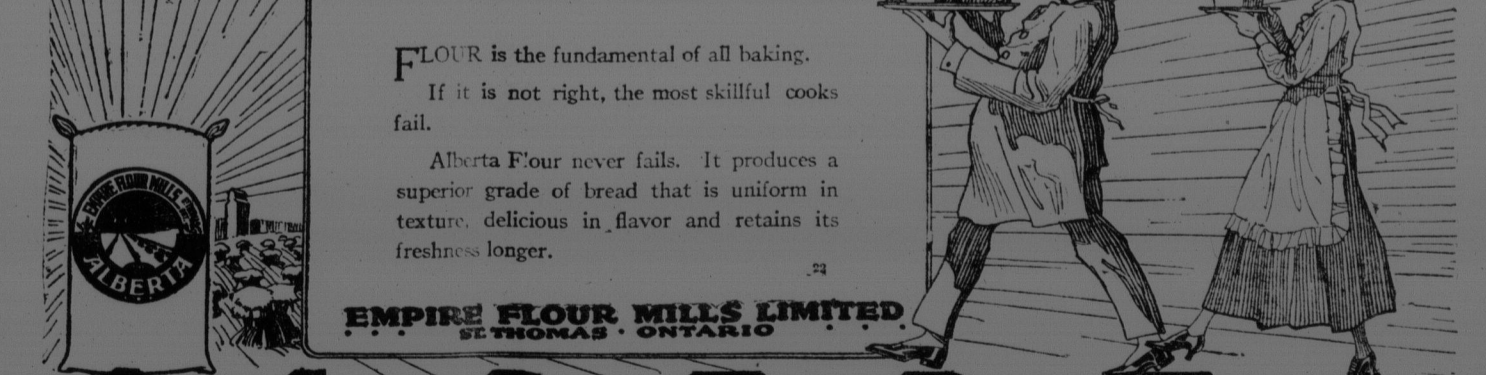
ST. JOHN BOY IN MISSION WORK

At the annual meeting of the Canadian Methodist Mission held in Arima, Japan, recently, the Rev. E. C. Hennigar was elected president and Rev. M. M. Whiting, secretary, for the coming year. Reports from each station were read setting forth a record of the year's accomplishments of the mission workers. All the families of the missionaries including the children were present at the meeting. This was a new departure and promises to be the rule henceforth.

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