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### WHAT ABOUT THE DREDGING?

Herbert S. Clements Questions the Government Concerning River Thames Work.

Also Gives Notice of Motion Relative to the Tariffon Farm

Ottawa, Ecb. 21.-Herbert S. Claim nts, M P., West Kent, in the House of Commons submitted the following questions to the Ministry:

1. Have the surveys for the River Thames from Lake St. Clair to the city of Chatham been completed for a fifteen-foot channel, as proposed by the Government?

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2. If so, what has been the cost up to date for the completion of said (lans, speci ications and all other work in connection with the same?
3. Is it the intention of the Government to complete the work as per plans and specifications submitted, and when will the work commence?

mence?
Hon. Chas. Hyman (acting Minister of Public Works):

Yes.
 The survey was made by the regular staff of the department, and there has been no other expendi-

This question is under con-NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. Clements—On Thursday next—Order of the House—For a return-showing the imports into Canada for home consumption from the United States; and the exports of the same from Canada to the United States; from Canada to the United States; and the daty on the same, giving Canadian duty and the United States daty; for the years 1908 and 1904, on the following articles: Pork, all kinds; Apples; Corn; Beans, raw, canned and otherwise; Tobacco, raw leaf; Cattle; Horses; Wool; Hides; Sugar Beets; Hay; Eggs; Butter; Fowls.

Fatal Soiler Explosion.

St. Clairsville, O., Peb. 21.—Twelve men were badly injured yesterday by the explosion of a stationary boiler at mine No. 1 of the Providence Coal Co. near here. Two of the injured have since died and four are believed to have been fatally hurt.

Death by Bursting Pipe.

Buffalo, Feb. 21.—By the bursting of a steampipe at the city waterworks yesterday afternoon. Thomas Hoyt was killed and eight other employes scalded, several of them very seriously, and perhaps fatally.

Steam Causes One Death.

Buffalo, Feb. 21.—Steam from a broken pipe caused the death of one man and serious injuries to eight others at the City Waterworks plant yesterday effortune. The dead of The terms of the control of th

the City Waterworks plant yesterday afternoon. The dead man is Thomas

White.

One Killed, Forty Hurt.

Paterson, N. J., Feb. 21.—One young woman was killed and about 40 persons were injured, 15 of them badly, by the derailing of a commuters' train on the Erie Railroad, near Friarlawn, four miles east of this city, yester-

Killed by Snow Plow.
Napanee, Feb. 21.—John Jenson of
Newburgh, while walking on the Bay
of Quinte tracks to Strathcona, on his way to work, was picked up and killed by the snow plow, about 6 o'clock yes-

Two Killed in a Wreck.
Chicago, Ili, Feb. 21.—Two passengers were killed and one seriously injured as the result of the wreck of a Chicago, Rock Island train and Pacific train at Wiota yesterday.

Man Drowns at Sarnia.

Sarnia, Feb. 21.—An unknown man was observed Sunday morning walking on the broken ice which is piled up in the St. Clair River, and suddenly fall into the water. He was about 300 yards from the shore. He struggled in the water for some time, but finally became exhausted and threw up his hands and disappeared. Every effort is being made to ascertain the identity of the victim. Several persons saw the occurrence.

English Firms Get Contract. English Firms Get Contract.

New York, Feb. 21.—The Tribune says: Although the bids received by the Commercial Cable Company for the new Atlantic cable have not been formally accepted, it is probable that the cable contract will be awarded to one or both of two English corporations, the Silvertown Company and the Telegraph Construction Company, both of London. In order to hasten the task of making and laying the cable, Clarence H. MacKay and his associates may give the contract for the shore end section to one company and the contract for the mid-Atlantic section to the other company.

Marconi's Marriage Bans.

Boulogne-Sur-Mer, Feb. 21. — The bans for the marriage of William Marconi to Miss O'Brien have been published at the city hall. The religious wedding is fixed for March 16 at the Roman Catholic Church of St. George, London. Lady Beatrice O'Brien brings to Mr. Marconi property representing an annual income of £4,000.

After Four Days' Blockade.
Owen Sound, Feb. 21.—After four days without railway service over the C. P. R., a snow plow and two locomotives arrived yesterday afternoon. On the Grand Trunk the blockade was broken on Saturday night, and yesterday's trains were regular.

### THREE HOTELS STRUCK OFF BY CITY COUNCIL BY-LAW

New License Commissioners Instructed to Reduce the Number of Taverns - Temperance Advocates Finally Win out-Other Business by the Aldermen.

When the temperance petition for the reduction of licenses was turned down at the last meeting of the lity Council, the temperance people aid they would not be discouraged but would try again. They did try again, with the result that at the louncil meeting last evening it was lecided to reduce the number of total licenses in the city to twelve after a musing to notice how some the control of the licenses to two. It was ather amusing to notice how some the reduction for the appointment of public officers, making Chief Pritchard's salary \$750 instead of \$600, was also gut through its several readings and passed. the reduction of licenses was turned down at the last meeting of the City Council, the tem erance people said they would not be discouraged but would try again. They did try again, with the result that at the Council meeting last evening it was

again, with the result that at the Council meeting last evening it was decided to requee the number of hotel licenses in the city to twelve and shop licenses to two. It was rather amusing to notice how some of the aldermen whe voted against the same motion at the last meeting, explained their position and voted for the motion last evening.

There was a large delegation resent at the meeting, including a number of ladies—temperance advovates. Among those who occurred seats in the audience were E. E. Parrott, J. W. Humphrey, Rev. Mr. Malott, Rev. Mr. Cobbledick, and A. D. Westman, The license inspector, Mr. Mills, was also present.

The question was trought up by Ald. Bell, who was auxious to leave and who wished the question disposed of before he left. This was accordingly done and Ald. Ainsworth moved, seconded by Ald. Marahall, that the question be reconsidered. This was carried.

All, Westman then moved, seconded by Ald. Mathatin, that the liquor licenses in the city be reduced to a limit of twelve and shop licenses two. Ald. Bell—I support the motion. At last meeting I opposed it because I wanted further information. Some of the gentlemen have got more information and I have made enquiries myself. There are many questions to be considered. Inquiry into whether the tavera keepers are keeping the law will give startling results. I find from the Police into whether the tavera keepers are keeping the law will give startling results. I find from the Police Magistrate that those who are to be out off by the motion are not the ones who are beaking the law. Ald. Austin at the last meeting spoke of an hotel where the travelling public and law to the last meeting spoke of an hotel where the travelling public and law to the last meeting spoke of an hotel where the travelling rublic sould not procure regular meets and I am told that it is a place where the best meals of the city are served. I am also told this by three geatlemen who are now present, although it will mention no cames.

Ald. Austin—I have no objection to you mentioning names.

Ald Bell—There is no use mentioning names. There is also the question of sufficient accommodation. I find that every hotel in the city is providing accommodation for the rublic but the commodation of the commodat

question of sufficient accommodation. I find that every hotel in the city is providing accommodation for the public, but there is a question as to whether they do a legitimate hotel business. Some seldom have their rooms occupied. I also find that Chatham has more licenses according to the population than any other city of the same size. Woodstock with a population of 9,800 has twelve licenses, St. Thomas with 13,000 population has eighteen, Galt with 8,500 population has nine, and Stratford with 12,560 population has fourteen. Each of these is lower than Chatham. The average is one license to 600 population, while in Chatham there is one license to every 600 people. I think it would be a good idea to reduce the licenses. In this way the once who are 1sft would provide more and better accommodation.

this way the ones who are left would provide more and better accommodation.

Ald. Edmondson—There is one thing about the hotel accommodation that should be considered. Chatham accommodates more farmers on Saturdays than any of these other places, and on busy days now there is not enough accommodation for the question should be left until next January and then make it an issue at the polls. Let the people decide. Ald. Westman replied that there was sufficient accommodation for farmers in Chatham. We have two large feed stables which are never completely filled.

Ald. Austin—I would like to congratulate Ald. Hell upon his conversion, Why I said that the fasts of the case were apparent was because we knew some time ago that this question was going to come up. Why, electors before the municipal elections approached several of the caudidates, especially Ald. Bell, and asked them what stand they would take on this question and they had lots of time to consider the question. Ald. Bell misunderstood the name of the hotel where they did not provide meals.

Ald. Bell—I have not been converted as I held no opinion whatever at the last meeting. I did not know the question would be brought up until the day of the last meeting. Ald. Ainsworth favored the lights on Queen street are not always lit.

The Mayor—It might be a good plan to keep the present lights lit. Ald, Potter agreed with the report and by Ald. Westman, Some of the lights of Queen street are not always lit.

Ald. Austin—Don't you read the public. We further recommend that a sign be placed man the bridge, warning persons of the danger rows of the danger in crossing the bridge when the bridge, warning persons of the danger in crossing the bridge when the trouble from high the bridge when the trouble from high the bridge is of the bridge when the bridge when the trouble from high the water last year.

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Ald. Austin-Don't you read the Tapers?

Ald. Bell-Well, some rapers contain the news, but I like to read the advertisements-Aid. Austin's, I got my information from men who

got my information from men who know.

Ald. Austin—That's what I did.

Ald. Bell—I was not converted. I was always in favor of temperance.

Ald. O'Keele—If this passes could a person who is building a new hotel procure a license?

The Mayor—He couldn't if all the licenses were granted.

Ald. Bell—The commissioners need not issue all the licenses.

Ald. King—In that case why not

The registry account was referred to Finance. The registrar was asked for a statement; \$224.33 is the amount said by him to be due the city. This was also referred to

the city. This was also referred to Finance.

Mr. Farby, asked to out a tree on Wellington street east. Referred to Chief of Police.

A petition for a granclithic walk on west side of H.lliard street from Head to Forest street, sufficiently signed, was referred to the engineer for his rejort.

Tenders for the garbage collect-

Tenders for the garbage collecting scheme were referred to the Property committee to open and report on.

A communication was received from the Warren Bitulithic Paving Com-pany scliciting work. They asked to tender on the market square pave-ment. Referred to Board of Works, A communication from the Public Works Department of Toronto in re-ference to wood roads was referred ference to good roads was referred to the Board of Works.

A communication from the Con-structing Pavement Company of Toronto was referred to the Board

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A blasting company wrote in reference to blasting the ice in the river this spring to escape the usual spring flood. They solicited a contract from the city. Referred to Board of Works.

Ald. Westman, for the Property committee, reported as follows:

1. Re the application of Jas. Herman for increase in salary, we find that Mr. Herman's work has been materially increased and that he is

that Mr. Herman's work has been materially increased and that he is underpaid for his work at the pres-ent time. We therefore recommend that his salary be increased \$5 per month, same to start with the pres-

month, same to start with the present month.

2. Re the petition to change the electric lights and add one more light on Queen St. South, we find that that portion of Queen street is not sufficiently lighted, especially the approach to the Indian Creek bridge, and that the road at this point is very dangerous during the time of high water and liable to cause the city serious trouble if any accident should occur. We therefore recommend that the prayer of the petition be granted and that the last light now on Queen St. be moved back to the intersection of Queen and Mercer streets and that a new light be placed at the intersection of Queen and Tissiman streets, and that these two lights be placed in line in the centre of the road so as to be a guide for the public. We further recommend that a sign be placed near the bridge, warning persons of the danger in crossing the bridge when

The Mayor—It might be a good plan to keep the present lights lit. Ald, Potter agreed with the report. Indian Creek bridge is a dangerous place during the time of flood and the light is badly needed to avoid serious accidents at this instance to the city. He thought every entrance to the city should be well lighted. Ald, Bell—What will it cost?

Ald, Westman—About \$134. The city would be liable for any accidents there.

there.

Ald Admondson—There are many petitions in ahead of this one and they have not even been considered. I think the city cannot afford it at the present time. There are other

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### **DEMANDS OF STUDENTS**

Resolutions of First Joint Meeting Ever Authorized.

Tear Up Czar's Portrait and Shout for Freedom-Scholars, Professors and Directors Hold Rousing Meeting in St. Petersburg-Decide to Close Universities Till Fall.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 21.—With the decision of the student body of the University of St. Petersburg yesterday to suspend studies for the remainder of the university year, almost the whole educational system of Russia has entered university year. educational system of Russia has en-tered upon a period of stagnation. Other universities, symmasia and even grammar schools already were on strike, and the military throughout the Empire has been obliged to be resort-ed to to restrain school boys of tender years, who are joining the general movement.

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The meeting of 3,000 St. Petersburg students, besides voting solidly to suspend studies until Sept. 1, adopted a set of political resolutions demanding the formation of a constituent assembly, and characterizing the proposed summoning of the Zemsky Sobor as inadequate for the emergency. A large faction voted to stop the war. A strong revolutionary feeling was manifested, the red flag was waved, and the Marseillaise and other revolutionary songs were chanted. A large portrait of the Emperor was torn in strips. The police did not interfere.

Strong forces of Poles and Cossacks had been posted outside the building to make an expected street demonstration, but none occurred. Many professors and instructors in the university were present, most of whom were in full sympathy with its objects. Two tutors and a small number of students who, wished to obtain their diplomas this year, made an ineffectual attempt to stem the general tide.

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Closed Till Fall.

The first joint meeting of students, professors and directors ever authorized assembled at noon yesterday to discuss the question of joining the general strike inaugurated by similar institutions in Russia and decided to close the university fill fall. Over 4,000 students attended, but the room would not hold one-fifth of that number. Strong speeches were delivered in support of the demand for, freedom of speech, conscience and the press, and for the convocation of a national assembly and the professors were unable to stem the storm.

Still more extreme addresses were delivered at everflow meetings, and the foreign newspaper correspondents present were amazed at their incending character. Wild scenes followed the students singing the Russian Marsellaise, which begins, "You fell victims to love of your country." A red flag was unfurled, on which was written: "Hall to the constituent assembly."

Resolutions Passed:

After adopting a set of strong resolutions, the student body, by an almost unanimous vote, decided to suspend all university work till September. The resolutions demanded:

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A constituent assembly on the basis of universal suffrage and under conditions of liberty of speech, of the press and of association and the freedom of laborers to strike.

Second: Full amnesty for religious and political offenders.

Third: Autonomy for each part of the country, net of Russian nationality. In conclusion, the resolutions call on every self-respecting citizen to struggle for the achievement of the above aims.

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After the meeting broke up a band of the more violent students tore up

the Emperor's portrait, stripped and demolished the frame and carried off bits of canvas and gilding as souve-nirs. Czar Still Obdurate.

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There is no confirmation of the report that the Emperor Nicholas has decided to issue a decree on March 4, convening the Zemsky Sohor. In well-informed circles here it is believed that the question of convoking of this ancient form of land parliament has not yet been decided.

BLOCKADE RUNNERS SEIZED. British Steamers Silviana and Powder-ham, With Coal, Taken.

Tokio, Feb. 21.—The Navy Department announces the seizure of the British steamer Silviana, bound for Vladivostock with Cardiff coal. The place where the seizure was made is not stated.

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The capture is announced by the Navy Department of the British steamer Fowderham, bound for Vladivostock with a cargo of Cardiff coal. Where the capture was made is not stated.

The Powderham is a steel screw steamer, 3,019 tons register. She was built in Middleboro in 1892, and is owned by the Powderham Steamship Company of Plymouth, Eng.

To Turn Kurcki's Right.

Toklo, Feb. 21.—It is reported that the Russians have constructed two light railways, one connecting Fushun and Yenting and another running from Fushun to the upper Shakhe. This railway, building in connection with other activities and the heavy concentration of troops, indicates a plan to turn Gen. Kurcki's right.

Back From a Raid.

Mukden, Feb. 21.—Gen. Rennenkampfi's division, which moved out on Feb. 14, has returned from a daring reconnaissence, passing around the Japanese left flank, and penetrating well to the rear, causing a considerable consternation along the line of Japanese communications. Losses were insignificant.

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