IT'S UP TO EXPERT ADAMS

CITY COUNCIL TALKS ABOUT THE RESERVOIR

California Water Expert to Be Given Opportunity to Make Good.

Arthur L. Adams, of California, the expert who was employed for a period improvements, will not be paid one endeavor to remedy the defects in the Smith's Hill reservoir, which was built of the city council have lost faith in refuses to come, why, we are done with Mr. Adams, and they will get an in- him; but we should not make an indedependent report from their own engineers as to the condition of the reserstay away. "It's up to Mr. Adams."

This is the attitude of the city council in respect to the question of the condition of the reservoir as defined gation until he has had a chance to gation until he has had a chance to nosel. In the first place he under the condition of the reservoir as defined make a report of his affect place he under the characteristics. at a special meeting held Friday, and as the outcome of the discussion Water Commissioner Raymur will be

had appeared in the Times of Thursit perhaps would be as well if the board tion. re to determine to ask Mr. Bryson, by the facts, but it might be a good idea to put the question beyond all dis-He would remind the board, however, and the public, that had it been for the water in the reservoir the fire department would not have had to fight the Brackman-Ker fire so sucwas improved by inspecting the guage at the city hall. The pressure used to

Ald. Turner said that if the assistant engineer made a report the water commissioner should join him and make a

ull report also.
Ald. Ross—What's the matter with filling the thing up to the top? That'll soon test her. Fill 'er up-that is as good a test as you can make of There was no reply to Ald. Ross'

Mayor Hall-The engineer and the water commissioner can get together and make their report.

Ald. Turner-Well, it's certainly up

us to have a report made and let the public be fully informed. All the members of the board concurred in this opinion.

Ald. Stewart said he was sorry he had not been present at a meeting of the finance committee when a letter had been read from Mr. Adams, in which that gentleman had expressed a willingness to come to Victoria and take a look at the reservoir if his exwhen here, and he should see it through | Ingram, E. F. Dawson. man they could find, and they believed | Gnr. William Fairall. they had got him. He had been recomThe officer commanding has been pay a fine of \$150 and costs. mended to the city by R. P. Rithet, a pleased to approve the following progentleman in whom they had every motions: No.-3 Company: To be sercure specimens of British Columbia some things about the reservoir which do not exactly suit them, and if Mr. Adams has any respect for his profesworthy. No. 2 Company: To be ser-sional reputation he would come up to Victoria at his own expense. He should few dollars and cents. If he wished to would come absolutely free of charge,

son, the assistant engineer, to make a place on Wednesday next, 8th inst., at ort. Was it fair to have this other 8.30 p.m. man make a report also? The members | Company officers will see that all felt by professional men in passing an are turned in for this inspection. opinion about another man's work. "Are we to cut out Adams?" asked But we should decide one thing or the

employ Bryson.' Ald. Turner-I thought we had done with Mr. Adams; and now it is prowith Mr. Adams; and now it is proposed we ask him to make a report. I

To be lieutenant-colonel and to command the regiment: Major A. W. Curagree with Ald. Stewart. We should cut out Adams and instruct our own offi-

the reservoir good. It's up to him. We placed every confidence in him. He had sights have been filed away to suit infree of charge and endeavor to make tign of arms in the district, that a ed to death. Her husband, full swing in all matters in connec- dividual fancy, also cocking pieces ion with the building of the reservoir. have been altered, and rifle barrels, He elected his own foreman and or- bodies and bolt breeches changed. dered all his material. Now we find This is contrary to regulations, and that the reservoir is not giving satisfaction in some respects. I am of the units and officers of rifle association opinion that Mr. Adams should be will be held responsible that these asked to come and make good before practices are prohibited in future. we do anything else with the reser-

Replying to Ald. Bishop, Mr. Raymur, the water commissioner, said Mr Adams was paid \$50 per day and ex-

Ald. Ross-Didn't Adams' chief engineer resign before the work was city engineer shows that during the completed for the reason he was dis- past year 6% miles of street paving satisfied with the manner in which the were completed, as compared with 11/4 work was being carried out? The story miles last year. In addition to paving I heard was that Mr. Ikee came down there has been a marked extension to the water commissioner's office and the sewer and waterworks evstems and told that official he could not work concrete sidewalks.

there any longer as things were not going to his way of thinking, and— ABANDON SITE Mr. Raymur—Pardon me, Ald. Ross, but that story is false. Mr. Ikee came to my office, it is true, and said he was going to quit, but he gave no reason whatever for that decision. I did not ask him why, and he shortly after-

wards went away to California, Aid. Mable said he took the same po sition as Ald. Stewart. He would not consent to have Adams come if the city would have to pay him. Personally he was inclined to have nothing more to

that he might have to line the reser-voir with brick in order to make it watertight Mayor Hall-I don't think he said that. He did say when he was out at the reservoir one day that it might

have to be fixed, and mentioned using brick on the sides. My own view is of about five years to advise the city that unless he is willing to come up way or the other. Is Adams out of it?

I think it would be a good idea for the water commissioner to wire to him and under his supervision. The members tell him what we feel about it. If he

voir. Mr. Adams may come to Victoria worry much about Mr. Adams' reputabefore that report is made, or he may tion. He is capable of taking care of that. But Mr. Raymur should wire him that if he wants to come up he may

with himself and Ald. Humber, which written to him telling about the situday evening. There had been a great deal of newspaper talk about the condition of the reservoir, and he thought dition of the reservoir, and he thought deal of newspaper talk about the condition of the reservoir was not giving satisfaction. There had been a great dition, and suggesting that he collected the present centerly and which were working in other Canadian deal of newspaper talk about the coundition of the reservoir, and he thought the reservoir was not giving satisfaction. There had been a great dition, and suggesting that he collected the present centerly and which were working in other Canadian cities and submit the same to the coundition of the reservoir, and he thought the reservoir was not giving satisfaction.

the assistant city engineer, to make a him in the matter of expense. He had report. He did not think that much of the adverse criticism was warranted to assistant city engineer, to make a him in the matter of expense. He had complete charge of the work. But we the adverse criticism was warranted never thought we were going to get a never thought we were going to get a purpose for at least half a century.

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made good and the city should wash fered. their hands of him, "Let us try our own engineers," said the aldermen, and city owns some property at Cedar Hill he was told by D'Arcy Scott that there will then make arrangements with the to fight the Brackman-Ker fire so suc-cessfully a short time ago. Then, again, anybody could see that the pressure

be about 15 pounds; now it was 60 some one suggested that but no letter ought to have been read, but no notice was taken of it, and Ald. Turner's motion was then passed.

CAPTAIN ANGUS TO COMPANY COMMAND

Orders for Guidance of Fifth taken. Regiment Issued by Col. Currie.

Regimental orders issued by Lieut. Col. Currie, commanding the Fifth Regiment, C.G.A., contain official no-

The following men, having been

his expenses. He did not blame the council, who had secured the services of Mr. Adams, as that gentleman had to No. 2 Company, Gnr. Frank P. hern highly recommended He (Ald Source of Mr. Adams, as that gentleman had to No. 2 Company, Gnr. Frank P. hern highly recommended He (Ald Source of Mr. Adams, as that gentleman had not blame the council, who had secured the services and are posted to companies as under: half of Herr P. Oberlander, a Bohem-lightly recommended He (Ald Source of Mr. Adams, as that gentleman had not blame the council, who had secured the services and are posted to companies as under: half of Herr P. Oberlander, a Bohem-lightly recommended He (Ald Source of Mr. Adams, as that gentleman had not blame the services and are posted to companies as under: half of Herr P. Oberlander, a Bohem-lightly recommended He (Ald Source of Mr. Adams, as that gentleman had not blame the services and are posted to companies as under: half of Herr P. Oberlander, a Bohem-lightly recommended He (Ald Source of Mr. Adams, as that gentleman had not blame the services and are posted to companies as under: half of Herr P. Oberlander, a Bohem-lightly recommended He (Ald Source of Mr. Adams, as that gentleman had not blame the services and are posted to companies as under: half of Herr P. Oberlander, and the services are taken on the strength, half of Herr P. Oberlander, and the services are taken on the strength, half of Herr P. Oberlander, and the services are taken on the strength, half of Herr P. Oberlander, and the services are taken on the strength, half of Herr P. Oberlander, and the services are taken on the strength, half of Herr P. Oberlander, and the services are taken on the strength, half of Herr P. Oberlander, and the services are taken on the strength, half of Herr P. Oberlander, and the services are taken on the strength, half of Herr P. Oberlander, and the services are taken on the strength, half of Herr P. Oberlander, and the services are taken on the services are taken on the services and the services ar been highly recommended. He (Ald. Savage, Gnr. Arthur Bell; to No. 3 game hunter. On November 11th, Herr Stewart) had voted in favor of hiring Company, Gnr. William Watson, Gnr. Oberlander was convicted of shooting Mr. Adams. They were after the best James Watson, Gnr. Walter A. Bliault, without license by Magistrate Whimp-

> perals Gnr. H. W. Ellis, vice Morry promoted; F. Dutot, E. G. Ray, J. Casanave, to complete establishment. posed to do considerable shooting The regular monthly meeting of the officers' mess will be held in the drill

p.m. Dress, mufti. Now it was proposed to ask Mr. Bry- The inspection of armouries will take

The half-yearly meeting of the ser-

hall on Thursday next, the 9th inst., hands." other. I say cut out Adams and then at 8 o'clock p.m. Dress, mufti. The following extracts from D.O. No. Justice Clement, 176, December 2nd, 1909, are published

commanding officers of active militia Captain R. Angus will assume com mand of No. 1 Company from this date, vice Lieut.-Colonel A. W. Currie,

CALGARY'S PROGRESS.

Calgary, Dec. 4.-The report of the

FOR CEMETERY

COUNCIL TURNS DOWN PEMBERTON PROPOSITION

Ald. Ross—I understand that Mr. Adams confessed before he went away that he might have to line the room.

Out of Codes Hill.

> Nothing will be done by this year's mittee of the city council, when the report of the cemetery committee redate.
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> Or the subject at the earliest possible delegates this year than last, fortyed was presented.

> Mayor Hall said he left he ought to say he was personally opposed to acquiring the property, as he had doubts about the wisdom of enlarging the present area available for cemetery purposes. There were numerous obtained by the people at the same time as the mayor. Nominees must be on the mayor's list. Personally, he favored the system, and it was mainly awaiting a meeting of the executive through his efforts that powers had council for their approval.

high and dry and in every way suitable. He did not think a site along the shore so desirable as one inland. Ald. Turner concurred in the remarks made by His Worship and Ald. Stewart favored having an inspection made of the site offered by Messrs. Pemberton to see if the land contained much rock, but the matter was allow-

BIG GAME HUNTER TAKES AN APPEAL

Was Fined at Fernie Under the Provincial Game Laws.

ing Mr. Adams a single cent further. granted their discharge, are struck off Vancouver, Dec. 3.—The first appeal He had had charge of the entire work the strength of the regiment: Gnr. A. against the imposition of a fine in connection with the enforcement of the without asking the council to defray | The following men, having been duly | provincial game laws was made in suster of Fernie, and was compelled to

Herr Oberlander holds a commission geant. Gnr. A. C. Boyce; to be corporal, Gnr. J. R. Connerton; to be fauna for the Vienna museum, and in bombardiers, J. E. Sears, F. B. El-worthy. No. 2 Company: To be ser-granted a special permit from the proto the provincial secretary in regard to securing a season's permit as he pruconnection with his commission. While awaiting the arrival of the permit would get some other engineer to ad- hall on Thursday, the 9th inst., at 8.30 through the mails Herr Oberlander strolled into the forest near Elko, and on his return to the town was presented with a summons by the game ward-

"There was nothing to show that Herr Oberlander did any hunting at of the board must know the delicacy rifles, belts and other accourrements all," contended Mr. Craig in asking for an order nisi, which allows the appeal the information he could gather about to be brought. "He simply strolled the workings of boards of control in geants' mess will be held in the drill through the woods with a gun in his other Canadian cities.

> "I will grant the order," decided Mr. FAMINE LIKELY Herr Oberlander has done considerable hunting in this province.

BURNED TO DEATH. St. John, N. B., Dec. 4.-Mrs. J. W. Only Women and Aged Men Are cials now. I for one would not pay Mr. Adams a red cent for his further services. He has not "made good."

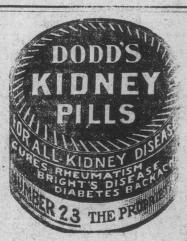
on completion of his period of tenure of command is transferred to the reservices. He has not "made good."

St. John, N. B., Dec. 4.—Mrs. J. W. Jamieson, 45 years of age, was going down stairs with a lighted lamp in down stairs with a lighted lamp vices. He has not "made good."

Ald. McKeown—If I were in Mr.

Adams' position I would come here serve of officers, September 1st, 1909.

It has been reported as the result of the armourer's recent annual inspection of the armourer's recent annual inspection.



AT PROPOSAL

DISCUSSION ABOUT BOARDS OF CONTROL

Wants Further Information Be- Agriculturists to Invade City fore Recommending Any Action.

COUNCIL SHIES

There was an animated discussion at last evening's meeting of the city council on the question of the city adof about nive years to auterworks' of Victoria in respect to waterworks' free of charge we ought not to have him.

Bay cemetery and the offer of Messrs. Free of charge we ought not to have him.

Bay cemetery and the offer of Messrs. Pemberton & Sons to sell the city endum on the question. Many of the cent should he come to Victoria and Ald. Stewart-Well, let's settle it one some 17 acres of land for \$52,000 will aldermen said they did not fully unbe allowed to drop. This decision was derstand the system, and the city soreached at Friday night's meeting of licitor will be asked to furnish all the the streets, sewers and bridges com- information in his possession bearing

commending that the land be purchas- Mayor Hall, replying to questions, said that the members of a board of

ship was of the opinion that the city ence of Canadian cities and did not February 4th the B. C. Stockbreed Ald. Fullerton—We never restricted council, when arranging for an encare to know anything about the plans ers' Association will have a somewhat

ronto he had been told that it was attend the three-day meeting of the working well. When he was at Ottawa State Dairymen's Association, and he round town by the dozen as good as distance out but the street cars would. It had worked well at Ottawa. Mayor mences on the 15th inst. Mr. Hodson Adams, in my opinion.

Some output that Mr. Adams, of Winnipeg had told, him will give an address on "The Value of very shortly. The land there was the same thing. The system was also Practical Demonstrations for Educa-

difficult for the aldermen of the local here. board to act intelligently until they | The meeting for the formation of the

Ali. Fullerton said full information conventions which will could be found in the appendix to the mence value to farmers. Municipal Act, and in the Toronto year book. He was in favor of the Ald. Mable said everything looked

good on paper. What the board wantwas an account of the experie of the cities where the experiment had cen tried. Ald. Turner asked if the members of

the board of control were added to the ouncil, and was answered in the negative They would have charge of the officials of the municipality and do all the detail work. Ald. McKeown referred to a letter in

city council for lax methods in hand- being taken in the opening of a new ling the affairs of the city, and he wanted to know if it was believed that | fare in this country, in which Benall grievances against the council jamin F. Yoakum and Edwin Hawley would be removed by a board of con-trol. Would they get after the city Moores for supremacy in the Atlantic engineer and all other officials and see and Gulf territory, with both sides lookthat they performed their duties prop- | ing toward the Pacific coast. erly? If they did not, how were they going to benefit the city to any extent? If they, the city, did not have a propengineering staff would the board

said the controllers did not have a vote at the council board. The council was the legislative body and the ntroilers acted in executive capacity. Any action of the board of control could be negatived by a two-thirds vote of the council.

Ald. Turner said that this meant that the board of control would have absolute power up to the two-thirds Ald. Mable wanted to know why it

would not be well to abolish the cou cil altogether and put the whole authority on the board of control. A motion was then passed to ask the city solicitor to give the council all Hawley look upon these men as rail-

Left to Care For the Crops.

San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 4.-Passengers arriving from Corinto, Nicaragua, on the steamer Peru, declared that un less hostilities between Zelaya's troops and the revolutionists ceases immediately, the country will be face to face with famine.

every able bodied man between the of defrauding the government by false Thomas F. Ryan. The purchase is sub ages of 16 and 60 years who had not weights. soined the revolutionists had been He said that he saw Kehoe, one of Cleveland, Morgan J. O'Brien and drafted by Zelaya's agents and that the defendants in the action, sitting George Westinghouse were made votnone but women and aged men were near a government weigher. He said ing trustees for the benefit of the policy left to care for the crops upon which Kehoe's peculiar position attracted his holders and it covers all of Mr. Ryan's the country depended for its food sup- attention. He ordered Kehoe to stand interest, including all the stock pur-

districts are flocking to the side of the corded. revolutionary party.

FARMERS MEET FIRST OF MARCH

MANY ASSOCIATIONS ARRANGE PROGRAMMES

Under Different Names During February.

The Central Farmers' Institute will board in the matter of securing addi-debate being started on the petition what earlier this year than on previous hold its regular annual meeting sometional property to enlarge the Ross being started on the petition occasions in order that any resolutions passed by that organization may be laid before the legislature. The House meets on January 20th and the institute will meet on February 1st TRADE BRISK and 2nd.

three being expected on this occasio instead of thirty-two last year. Thi means that a great many new insti- Bradstreet's Report-Optimis-Mayor Hall said he felt he ought to control must be nominated and then tutes have been formed throughout the

gation until he has had a chance to make a report of his own. I make a posal. In the first place he undertune the change if it was thought desirable in the opinion of the ratepayers.

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Ald Bishop was in favor of putting the clared on the Ald. Henderson said he was in hearty accord with the views which had been it would probably be found that this the question up to the ratepayers at the dairy compact of the ground up the earliest nossible date. water Commissioner Raymur Will be asked to communicate to Mr. Adams asked to communicate to Mr. Adams an expression of the council's feelings on the matter.

After a wnispered consultation with Ald. Stewart, Mayor Hall decided to bring the question of the condition of the reservoir before the council, and he gas by referring to the interviews with himself and Ald. Humber, which is skewned to communicate to Mr. Adams asked to Mr. Raymur had showed nim Adams on the matter he would probably be found that this the question up to the ratepayers at would probably be found that this the question up to the ratepayers at the question up to the ratepayers at would render much of the ground up-suitable for burial purposes. Then again, it was well known that the speakers, and Professor Hadwen would render much of the spreakers, and Professor Hadwen would render much of the wasted to take stock. Everywhere feeling in the doing the speakers, and Professor Hadwen would render who has lately been studying in England, will lecture on redater and abortion. Several speakers will also be a post in the question up to the ratepayers at the question up to the ratepayers at the question up to the ratepayers at the dairy communicate to Mr. Raymur had showed nim Adains' the earliest possible date.

Ald. Stewart, Mayor Hall decided to be take stocks. Everywhere feeling in the had full information to tourists and it would hardly be contourists and it would probably the earliest possible date.

Ald. Montreal navigation has closed and the tins the earliest possible date.

Ald. Montreal navigation has closed and wholesale merchants are preparing to take stock. Everywhere fee written to him telling about the situation, and suggesting that he come to the present cemetery and thus it

the possible to protect the foreshore of ask the city solicitor to collect all the test and a couple of speeches. From the present cemetery and thus it information about boards of couple of speeches. From the present cemetery and thus it information about boards of couple of speeches. From the present cemetery and thus it information about boards of couple of speeches. From the present cemetery and thus it information about boards of couple of speeches. From the present cemetery and thus it information about boards of couple of speeches. From the present cemetery and thus it information about boards of couple of speeches.

> pected that a number of manufacturer's leaky reservoir.
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> Ald. Ross confessed he was sick and tired of the whole matter, and he had not made good and the city should wash. He had not made good and the city should wash. working well at Brandon, Winnipeg, Edmonton and Montreal. tive Work," and will doubtless take the opportunity of letting the farmers of Ald. Stewart insisted that it would be that state know what is being done

had had full information before them. Provincial Agricultural Association, He wanted to be in a position to give mention of which was made yesterday, the ratepayers his reason for voting will be held on February 31st, comeither for of against. conventions which will prove of im-

ANOTHER BATTLE FOR RAILWAY SUPREMACY

Opening of Struggle For Control in Atlantic and Gulf Territory.

Chicago Dec 4-Intense interest chapter in the history of railroad war-

peake and Ohio. of the Lehigh.

connection and the opposing systems tees. will be ready for the big struggle. This situation is looked upon as one of the main developments of the railroad world since the death of Harri-

The admirers of both Yoakum and road men capable of succeeding to the Buys Shares From T. F. Ryan, command that the late railroad king held up to the time of his death. Hawley has won pre-eminence as a railroad financier and Yoakum is considered one of the most successful of the practical IN NICARAGUA railroad men of America.

GOVERNMENT DEFRAUDED

More Light Thrown on the Methods of U. S. Sugar

New York, Dec. 4.-Richard Parr | says: took the stand yesterday in the govern-

ly.

up and discovered a hole in the stanchased by him from James H. Hyde.
According to Miss Stephen, the rechion of the scales. Parr then told how
Ryan's holdings in the Equitab bels have been victorious in practically he took the scales to pieces and found were bought, in large part, from James every engagement near Managua, and the spring and disclosed the system H. Hyde, although Edward H. Harrithat the inhabitants of the country by which the false weights were re- man had laid plans which, as he sup

Parr testified that Dock Superin- that went instead to Ryan.

tendent Spitzer tried to bribe him to report the scales out of order and drop the matter.

Spitzer appealed to me as a Mason said Parr, "and said that I was a fool not to take the money; that others had

He said he then made a search and found other scales with the same PROBLEM IS BEFORE spring attachment. The testimony of Parr showed that

President Roosevelt learned from an unknown source of the sugar frauds and ordered an immediate investigation for the treasury department in vember 1907. Asked if that was the firs work he did on the case, Parr said "No, I began in May of the same year under the direction of your superior. "Do you speak of the president as my superior?" asked the government counsel. "Yes," replied the witness. "Do you speak of the treasury department officials as my superiors too?" was asked, and Parr replied: "No I do not." This line of questions then was drop-

IN THE NORTHWEST

tic Throughout the Dominion.

crease of eight in the number from cautions had been taken. He favored November, 1908, but an increase of 11 taking the question of damages up per cent, in liabilities

Canadian Bank Clearings. Bradstreet's weekly bank clearings: Montreal, \$46,967,00. increase 42.4. Toronto, \$31,025,000, increase 10.2. Winnipeg, \$27,845,000, increase 37.0. Vancouver, \$7,416,000, increase 90.4. Ottawa, \$3,655,000, increase 8.6. Quebec, \$2,474,000, increase 3.3. Halifax, \$2,268,000, increase 33.4. Hamilton, \$1,998,000, increase 27.5. St. John, N. B., \$1,436,000, increas

Calgary \$2,163,000, increase 45.2. London, \$1,182,000, increase 6.6. Victoria, \$1,227,000, increase 12.9 Edmonton, \$1,194,000, increase 37.

AND KIDNAPS BROTHER

Denver, Col., Dec. 4.-After stealing \$1,000 from under her father's pillow and kidnapping her 10 year old brother Hilda Brown, 15 years of age, daughter | an arrangement can be made to ex of U. P. Brown, started on a tour of tend the sewerage system in that

the Pacific coast. Accompanied by Addie Brandt, 16, she obtained the money, which was in Ross were appointed to constitute the court of revision to revise the munilarge bills, before her father was awake Fearing her brother would betray her cipal voters' list, such revision to comshe forced him to accompany her to mence on December 10th. Golden, where he was placed in a pri-

vate boarding house and his board paid SPEND OVER THREE for a week. The girl's then bought several hundred dollars worth of fashionable ap parel and bought tickets to Salt Lake The police, who had been notified by Brown, discovered them as they were Two Fishermen Without Food about to board a west bound train,

Both were elaborate disguise. SHORT OF FUNDS.

School Teachers Strike When Salaries

Are Not Forthcoming. Sturgeon Falls, Ont., Dec. 4.-The roakum is supposed to have with-drawn entirely from the Moore inter-ests, after having served as chairman ests, after having served as chairman midsummer, Thursday went on strike Bay of Fundy. Last Monday mo of the executive committee of the Rock and the schools were all closed vesterof control see that work was done properly?

Replying to a question Mayor Hall said the controllers did not have a single framework of the Rock Island to Verlam it is to be allied with and to Yoakum, it is to be allied with them. Some talk of consolidating the ing their trawls at 10 o'clock the same the Hawley lines, including the Chesa- municipal debt and issuing new debentures has been heard. The town, how-On the other hand, the Lehigh Valley ever still owes the school board \$5,000, announces that W. H. Moore, E. S. besides this year's levies. Against this were picked up off Trinity Ledge, 20 and are to be elected to the directorate of \$6,300, and this week the bank took miles from land, Capt. A. J. Thurler action to restrain the town from pay-This will give the Moores an eastern ing any part of this sum to the trus- into Westport in an exhausted condi-

MORGAN CONTROLS **ASSURANCE SOCIETY**

Who Took Over Concern After Scandal.

New York, Dec. 4.-The Equitable Life Assurance Society is in the con-BY FALSE WEIGHTS trol of J. Pierpont Morgan, together with the \$472,000,000 of assets which the company declared in its last statement. Control was secured from Thomas F. Ryan, who took over the gigantic concern soon after the insur-ance scandals were unearthed by C. E. Hughes, now governor of New York state.

News of the transfer was contained in a brief statement given out from the offices of Morgan and Company, which

"Mr. Morgan has bought the majority Miss Isabel Stephen of New York, a ment's case against the sugar trust of the stock of the Equitable Assurpassenger on the Peru, declared that ject to the trust under which Grover Ryan's holdings in the Equitable

BEACON HILL

Wm. Oliphant Claims Damages for Injuries Done His Property.

THE CITY COUNCIL

The recent heavy rains have disclosed the fact that the residential area surrounding Beacon Hill park will re quire extensive drainage facilities i order to carry off the water which flows down that great watershed when ever it rains heavily, and as a resulof the recent unprecedented downpo many complaints have been lodged with the city council.

At Friday evening's meeting of the streets, bridges and sewers comm a letter was read from Wm. Oliphan who resides in that vicinity, detailing the damage that had been done his property by the rains of last week. He declared that he would hold the city responsible and advised that the council arrange to meet him and adjust damages. He pointed out that the fact that rains were excessive and

with Oliphant at once. Ald. Henderson said the whole question of the proper drainage of Beacon Hill watershed would shortly have to be given consideration. great quantity of water requires to be disposed of whenever it rains heavily and he doubted if the facilities pro posed were likely to prove sufficient. It was decided to appoint a co tee consisting of the mayor, Ald. Tur-

ner, Ald. Henderson and the city engineer, to confer with Mr. Oliphant. Mrs. C. K. O'Reilly, of Pleasant street, will be informed that the police has been ordered to see that the obstructions on that street are re-

At the suggestion of the mayor the city engineer was given instruction to arrange for the erection of temporary oles along the causeway to carry the trolley wires while the paving is being laid. The city engineer was instructed to

confer with the property owners along lower Government street in the vicinity of the Phoenix Brewery to see if locality. Mayor Hall and Alds. Fullerton and

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Digby, N. S., Dec. 4.-One of the worst stories of hardship and suffering at 3 o'clock George Repoot aged 55 morning by Capt. Nelson Thurber, of the schooner Swan and nothing m had been seen of them until about 1 of the schooner Venus and brought

They had been for three days and a half in their open boat without food, with the machinery broken down, nelpless and exposed to one of the worst series of storms in years. The engine broke down, and they were compelled to lie at anchor throughout the recent gales until Thursday morning, when they broke adrift from their moorings and were carried to sea. The heavy rains supplied them with water, or they would have perished.



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