

NO WATER BECAUSE NO LAND ENTIRE PROPOSITION HELD UP

Hon. Adam Beck Serves Official Notice on the City That He Cannot Go Ahead With the Work—Special Meeting of the Power Committee Has Been Called for Tonight.

Hon. Adam Beck has served notice upon the city that unless he obtains possession of the land recently purchased from the London Street Railway for a power site immediately, he will be unable to sign an agreement with the city for building the plant. A communication was received by City Clerk Baker this morning from Mr. Beck pointing out that the difficulty between him and the city is not the land, but the money. He will pay the amount asked by the city, \$200,000, provided the city reimburse him, or will pay the money themselves to the aldermen.

This communication will come up before the power committee this evening at 8 o'clock. Ald. Stewart, when informed that the communication had been received, notified the clerk to call the members together, and as a result the whole situation will be taken up.

Mayor Stevely and Mr. Beck talked the situation over at noon, and it was agreed that the power committee should deal with the communication tonight.

A Bad Position.

"The London Street Railway promised to give me the land free of encumbrances," said Mr. Beck. "They have not done so, and it leaves me in a bad position. If the council will authorize me to pay the money, I will do so, and get to work. If the council will not pay the money, I will not do so, and get to work, that's all."

The London Street Railway will remit the rent, and pay part of the cost of removing the lumber, but they will not do anything more.

Ald. Ferguson insists that he is acting well within his rights, and maintains that because the company are holding Mr. Beck up, he has no right to be placed in a false light before the public.

He is a member of the power committee, and it is possible that this side of the question will come out in the meeting this evening.

Some minor matters will also engage the attention of the committee.

NICKEL SHOWS AND THE CHURCH

Rev. Mr. Goforth Says More Members Will Go to the Former Than the Latter.

SOMETHING WRONG HERE

Says the Minister to St. Andrew's Congregation on Sunday—A Strong Sermon.

"There is something wrong in London when you can get more church members to go to a nickel show than to a prayer meeting," said Rev. Jonathan Goforth at St. Andrew's Church yesterday morning. "God is on the outside. When I first opened the revival services here and on the open night found only six elders in attendance out of more than fifty in the city. I thought there was not much chance of a revival here. But now, after the east in London. Pitiful little Christians who have to be borne along by amusements."

The Devil Is Strong.

The devil is just as strong today as he ever was. How many pitiful failures there are in life because men trust in their own strength and not in God's. Disobeying God's command is as great a sin as God is mighty. There must be some place for fixing responsibility, and if we neglect God's plain call to duty He will hold us responsible. He denied Christ, because he trusted in his own strength, and how often in our business and home life do we betray Christ, and cause the world to wag its tongue and say, 'I told you so.' When we really accept God as we should, our hearts will be sad for the church of today. We will not need to say, 'Is it right to dance?' or 'Is it right to play cards?' for we will be filled with higher thoughts and aspirations. We will love God as he demands, and man as he demands."

Mr. Goforth preached to very large congregations at both the morning and evening services.

RESCUED AT LAST LOST LAST YEAR

Eight Men Who Belonged to the Snowdrop Saved—Vessel Lost Year Ago.

Ottawa, Sept. 27.—Captain F. W. Bartlett, of the Jeanne, writes the Canadian minister of marine, from Indian Harbor, via Cape Ray, Sept. 24: "Rescued eight men belonging to Snowdrop, lost at Frobiisher, last year. 'Delivered mail for Arctic on 6th at Clyde River."

(Signed) F. W. BARTLETT.

The Snowdrop is a Scotch whaler.

KILLED HIS FATHER

Son Claimed That He Did It in Protecting Mother.

Cheshocton, Ohio, Sept. 27.—William Davis, 20 years old, killed his father, Eli Davis, six miles south of here yesterday during a quarrel between the boy's parents. The son says his father threatened to strike his mother, and in order to protect her he struck his father down with a hatchet.

The police say the boy also stabbed his father near the heart with a knife. The son is under arrest.

Eli Davis is said to have quarreled with his wife because she did not cook his breakfast to suit him.

Young Daughter Dead

Margaret Grace, the only daughter of Rev. J. G. Perdue, assistant rector of St. Paul's Cathedral, died at the home of her parents, 566 Maitland street, this morning, after a brief illness. The little girl was 2 years and 8 months old. The funeral will be held on Wednesday to Woodland Cemetery, and will be strictly private.

HARRY WHITNEY SENDS A MESSAGE

Meeting With Cook at Annatok—Instructed What to Say to Peary.

COOK LEFT HIM A BOX

But Peary Would Not Allow Anything Belonging to the Explorer on the Roosevelt.

New Haven, Conn., Sept. 27.—The Journal-Courier today publishes the following message from Harry Whitney, of New Haven, who, while hunting in the north, met Dr. Cook and received from him records and instruments relating to Dr. Cook's discovery of the North Pole:

"Steamship Surtacana, via Marconi Wireless, Indian Harbor and Cape Ray, Nfld., Sept. 26.

"Norris G. Osborn, Editor Journal-Courier, New Haven, Conn.

"Telegram received last night. Arrived Thursday. Surtacana pappapp not give date of arrival. Engine broken, returning on sail. Glad to get within reach of outside world. Sorry to hear of trouble between Cook and Peary.

"On Cook's arrival at Annatok in April, 1909, he told of having got to the Pole. He also showed maps, but I was asked not to tell Peary if he arrived before I left, but to tell him that Cook had beaten his record of 1906. Nothing having arrived for me we started south on Roosevelt. Cook left box full of contents unknown to me to bring back, but Peary would allow nothing belonging to Cook aboard the Roosevelt, and I was forced to leave everything in Cache Etab.

"Good shooting. Regards to all. (Signed) HARRY WHITNEY."

Peary Off for New York.

Portland, Sept. 26.—The steamship Roosevelt reached Eagle Island at noon today in the midst of a north-east storm and dropped anchor off Commander Peary's island. That she would stop at Eagle Island on her way to New York not known to any one but Commander Peary and her commander.

Peary said that she had come to Eagle Island for instruction before proceeding to New York, and to land his personal effects.

The ship sailed at dark for Sandy Hook, which Capt. Bartlett said he expected to reach Tuesday night, although she may not reach there until Wednesday morning. The moment she reaches New York she will be under the instruction of the Peary Arctic Club, and when she takes part in the Fulton parade, as it was stated she would, Commander Peary will be upon her bridge.

Today Peary said that he did not intend to go to New York until the Cook controversy was cleared up, and he will be accompanied by the Harbor tomorrow noon to hold a conference with Gen. Thos. H. Hubbard, president of the Peary Arctic Club, who has had Peary's statement in his possession since Thursday and who will advise with him on Monday about making it public.

The men on the Roosevelt feel certain that when this statement of Peary's is given to the world there will be but one opinion relative to the claim of Dr. Cook, and that his publication will so clear the atmosphere that when Peary stands upon the Roosevelt's bridge in the Fulton parade, he will be acclaimed as the only man who has ever stood up on the top of the earth.

Commander Peary has not given out any information about his recent touching at Eagle Island.

MESSAGE FROM COOK

AN UNFRIENDLY DEAL

Says Peary's Boatwain, Murphy.

Treated Capt. Bernier in Unfriendly Way.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Ottawa, Sept. 27.—A message from Dr. Frederick A. Cook to the Ottawa Free Press, in response to an inquiry to the delivery of supplies for Dr. Cook by Captain Bernier, in charge of the Canadian Government steamer Arctic, now cruising the north, indicates that Captain Bernier met with unfriendly treatment at the hands of Boatwain Murphy, of Peary's crew.

"Bernier brought supplies sent by Mrs. Cook. Left them at Etah in care of Harry Whitney on Aug. 20, 1908. Bernier asked for Esquimaux and dogs, and was refused by Murphy."

In Bernier's letter, Beechy Island, Lancaster Sound, was given as his next winter station. See Whitney on Jeanne, now at Battle Harbor, Labrador.

(Signed) FREDERICK A. COOK.

THE WEATHER.

TOMORROW—COOLER.

FORECASTS.

Fresh to strong northerly wind; fine and cool today and on Tuesday; frost in many localities tonight.

TEMPERATURES.

Today. Yesterday.

Stations. 8 a.m. Min. Low. High.

London, Saturday..... 42 30 50

London, Sunday..... 42 30 50

Victoria..... 42 30 50

Calgary..... 36 24 46

Winnipeg..... 48 36 58

Port Arthur..... 34 20 50

Perry Sound..... 42 30 50

Toronto..... 42 30 50

Ottawa..... 48 36 58

Quebec..... 50 40 60

St. John's..... 46 34 56

St. Lawrence..... 46 34 56

St. Catharines..... 46 34 56

St. James..... 46 34 56

St. George..... 46 34 56

St. Patrick..... 46 34 56

St. Andrew..... 46 34 56

St. David..... 46 34 56

St. John..... 46 34 56

St. Peter..... 46 34 56

St. Paul..... 46 34 56

St. Mary..... 46 34 56

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St. Servatus..... 46 34 56

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GIBSON WILL BEAT DETROIT OUT SAYS ONLY DE WOLFE HOPPER

London Boy Is Greatly Admired by the Prince of Comedians—Man of "Casey at the Bat" Fame Talks of World's Championship.

"Gibson will prevent Detroit winning the world's championship," said De Wolfe Hopper, the great comedian to The Advertiser, this afternoon. Mr. Hopper will appear in "The Madras Idol," his latest vehicle, at the Grand this evening.

He is a thirty-third degree baseball fan, and as such is a roofer for talk on the baseball situation. He is an ardent admirer and personal friend of John J. McGraw, the Giants' manager, and he is a roofer for that team. However, his loyalty to the Giants does not prevent him taking a keen interest in baseball, and the players of other teams.

Admires Gibson.

He is an admirer of the London catcher "Mooney" Gibson, and declared that the Londoner is confident that it will make a great success.

"The Pirates have a great team, a hard-hitting, hard-working team," said Mr. Hopper. "They are sluggers, and hit the ball hard. Their pitchers are as good, if not better, than Detroit's, but upon Gibson will fall the bulk of the defensive work. He will have to keep the fast runners Hughie Jennings has close to the bases, and steady the whole team. He can do it, and I look for his great work to keep the Tigers on the flag."

"I am for the Giants, of course. I am a personal friend of McGraw, and Mathewson and Mr. Brush, and so I am loyal to that team. We did not win the flag, but we kept the Cubs from doing that, so we are happy."

Mr. Hopper is greatly pleased with his latest vehicle, and is confident that it will make a great success.

HUDSON-FULTON CELEBRATION

SEEN BY 5,000,000 PERSONS

Naval Parade Was Ten Miles in Length and Included 1,000 Vessels—Estimate of Visitors in New York Range to 2,500,000—Booming Welcome From Men of War.

New York, Sept. 26.—Five million people, massed in cheering battalions along the western edge of Manhattan Island, the Jersey shore and the water front of Brooklyn, watched the brilliant naval parade that marked the formal opening of the Hudson-Fulton centennial celebration on Saturday.

The demonstration that followed the progress of the Half Moon and the Clermont, replicas of the craft made famous by Henry Hudson and Robert Fulton, as they ascended the historic Hudson with their masts, funnels and 1,000 ships, has never been equalled in America. The marine parade was more than ten miles in length and represented every type of ship from the graceful yacht to the massive British battleship, Indefatigable. There aristocrats of the ocean were gay with flags; from their masts fluttered rainbows of silken pennant and from their decks floated the inspiring martial music of more than 100 bands. The guns of 57 warships boomed a thunderous response to the cheers of the throngs that lined the shores as the ships majestically up to the stream.

Auspicious Day.

An ideal day of brilliant sunshine, with a fresh breeze from the ocean, crowned the two years of preparation for the fête. The harbor fairly sparkled in reflecting the dazzling garb of the craft gathered like great white flocks of sea birds waiting for the flight up the river. In the clear atmosphere not a detail of the parade, which continued until late this afternoon, was lost by the enthusiastic onlookers.

The land ceremonies were confined to a reception at Waldorf-Astoria during the morning of the flag and ranking officers of the visiting fleets and the diplomatic delegates to the celebration. Vice-President Sherman, Governor Hughes, Mayor McClellan and Joseph H. Choate, former American ambassador to Great Britain, were the receiving committee.

In the parade were 57 warships, representing the navies of the United States, Great Britain, Germany, France, Italy, Holland, Mexico and Argentina—450,000 tons of steel, bearing 28,000 officers and men and armed with 1,897 guns.

Faithful copies of the Half Moon and Clermont.

One hundred and twenty steamboats and ferries.

Seventy-five steam yachts.

Seventy-five motorboats.

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BOYS STARTED FIRE IN BASEBALL STANDS

Tecumseh Park Had a Close Call From Being Burned on Saturday.

A fire that might have been attended by serious results was started by a number of boys in the baseball stands at Tecumseh Park Saturday afternoon during the Youngs-Strathroy game, but was discovered and extinguished before the spectators became aware of the trouble.

The boys, who were watching the game from behind the pressstand, ignited a number of boxes, and the fire spread rapidly under a seat. The boards were as dry as tinder, and in a short time the foundation for a big fire was laid.

Luckily it was noticed in time, and was quickly extinguished by the caretaker and others without the aid of the fire department. The boys were well filled at the time, and the fire was started on the ceiling of the only exit, the gates at either end being locked.

DIVIDEND IN SIGHT FROM YORK LOAN

May Be Paid About Christmas—First Dividend Will Be 25 Per Cent Cash.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Toronto, Sept. 27.—After waiting patiently through four years of liquidation proceedings, the National Trust Company, liquidators, the company's staff has been writing checks for several weeks for these shareholders whose actual claims are known, while the York Loan office staff of twenty is busy on the accounts of others.

Mr. Smith could not say exactly what amount of the first payment would be, but at the time of liquidation, the shareholders' claims were figured out to be a total of \$1,500,000, which would mean that the first payment would mean \$375,000 in round numbers.

"The first payment will not be all cash," Mr. Smith explained. "There are thousands of accounts on which money was borrowed, and all indebtedness will be deducted on this dividend, so that the second will be all money."

The checks are not yet dated, and may not go out much before Christmas. There are still 10,000 books which have a gradient for eastern gales in Eastern Canada.

Rain has fallen heavily in Quebec and the Maritime Provinces, and a few scattered showers are expected here.

MAYOR CONGRATULATES "MOONEY" GIBSON

Move for a Civic Reception to the London Player Well Received.

The question of a civic reception for "Mooney" Gibson will be dealt with by the council on Monday night, and will be referred to the reception committee to work out the details.

Many of the aldermen have been approached by private citizens, who desire to act in conjunction with the committee in making the affair a pronounced success.

Ald. Moorhead, who has the resolution ready, stated at noon today that he had been approached by several citizens, who asked to have the matter referred to the reception committee, so that they could confer with that body in working out a joint celebration.

A Popular Move.

"It is a very popular move, and I do not think we could do too much for Mooney Gibson," said Ald. Moorhead.

Mayor Stevely is much in favor of a reception to the London catcher.

"If there is anything in advertising London, this boy is worthy of some recognition," stated his worship. "He never fails to tell them that he is from London, and it is seldom that any single man can keep the name of his native city so prominently before the public."

Now that the Pirates have the pennant "clashed," the mayor will send a telegram of congratulation to "Mooney" Gibson, on behalf of the council and citizens generally.

ENGINEER CHIPMAN IN LONDON TO REPORT ON SEWER SYSTEM

Is To Make a Minute Examination of the Situation and Will Have His Report Ready in a Short Time—Is Now Busy With the Plans.

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Frank Riggs and George Murray, the two men accused of assaulting and robbing him up and robbing him while in that condition, were this morning discharged by Judge Macbeth with a warning on the ground that the evidence submitted was not of the nature to warrant a commitment.

In his evidence as taken before the judge on Wednesday morning the plaintiff acknowledges to having taken a number of drinks, and some parts of his testimony were inclined to be erratic, and his honor did not think that

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