

# BLOWS NEARLY RESULT BETWEEN CONTROLLERS

### Board Meeting Breaks Up—Ejection of Member Prevents Actual Encounter—Trouble Starts Over Grant for Deep Waterways Association—Controller Ramsden Revives Election Incident.

A row between Controllers Cameron and Maguire which nearly resulted in a fisty battle, broke up the meeting of the board of control yesterday. Only the ejection of Controller Cameron from the room by Mayor Church and Controller Ramsden, prevented an actual encounter, and even after he was put out, Controller Cameron tried to get back in again to get at his colleague, but Secretary McQueen held the door against him, while Controller Maguire remained standing at his place at the table showing considerable anger but saying very little.

The trouble started over a motion by Controller Maguire that a grant of \$1,000 be made to the Deep Waterways Association. An application for the grant came from Major Alex Lewis, secretary of the association, and was before the board of control on Thursday, but Controllers Ramsden and Cameron refused to vote the money until a statement had been laid before them showing how the money was already granted had been expended. Yesterday Mayor Church suggested that the grant be made, and he undertakes to have a statement from the association for Monday. Con. Ramsden then referred to a campaign letter which had been sent out by Major Lewis in the recent by-election, and which appeared on Deep Waterways Association's stationery.

The mayor said he believed the major had paid for the stationery himself.

"I am not charging that he did not," declared Con. Ramsden, "but the letters had the heading of the Deep Waterways Association's stationery, and he felt that it had been put to an improper use."

"Were the letters sent broadcast?" asked Con. Maguire.

"You had just as good an opportunity as I had to find that out."

"I wanted a statement."

Controller Cameron said he would oppose the grant until a statement from the association was received. He continued: "When I heard that Major Lewis, as secretary of the association got a salary of \$6,000 a year, I was shocked. I thought it was \$2,500. The idea behind the deep waterways movement is a good one, but we are entitled to a statement of the expenditure of the money of which we are trustees."

Controller Gibbons said if he refused to make the grant their action might be misconstrued as opposed to the deep waterways movement.

Controller Ramsden said that was not a fair supposition; he was not opposed to the movement, but wanted a statement before making the grant.

Controller Ramsden: "Well, my opinion is that Lewis is the whole association front, back and middle."

Controller Maguire then suggested that the grant be made and he would undertake to move to strike the recommendation out on Monday if the statement were not forthcoming. Both Controllers Cameron and Ramsden said that would not do and the mayor then left his seat to phone Major Lewis to find out when the statement would be ready. He returned in a few minutes to say the line was busy.

Controllers Cameron and Ramsden then got up apparently to leave the meeting and Controller Gibbons went into the phone booth.

"We have no quorum," said Controller Ramsden.

"Controller Gibbons is still here," said Controller Maguire, who pressed for a vote on his motion to grant the \$1,000.

"Let it wait for two weeks," said Controller Ramsden.

"Oh, he wants to make political capital out of it," called back Controller Cameron who, by this time, was at the end of the table.

Makes Menacing Advance.

Jumping up, Controller Maguire

**MEN YOU HEAR OF**

Seen as Their Friends

Know Them

No. 37.

MR. WILLIAM LONG, head of the well-known plaso manufacturing company on Yonge street. Mr. Long, who has been in the business for twenty years, was born in Uxbridge and educated in the public school there. He is a member of the Oddfelloes, and is fond of ball and curling.

Alfred Wheeler of Woodstock, Ont., living in the city at 25 Howard street, and Elizabeth Sheffield, alias Miss Nunne, no home, were arrested last night by Detectives Tuff and Johnson. Three charges were preferred against the man—bigamy, theft and living on the avails of prostitution; while the charges on which the woman is held are bigamy and theft.

According to the police, Wheeler married the woman while her two other husbands were still living. Wheeler, Sheffield, the woman's second husband, whose name also bears the name of Wheeler, she lived with Wheeler while at the same time drawing a separation allowance from the government.

Wheeler is alleged to have stolen a quantity of jewelry and a clock. Part of this has been recovered. The woman is alleged to have stolen \$170.

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said: "I resent that statement." Controller Cameron, showing anger, then advanced menacingly towards Controller Maguire and, grabbing hold of his coat, said, "Come outside and I'll show you."

Controller Maguire backed away and Controller Ramsden got between the men.

"Don't shake your finger at me, you crook," shouted Controller Cameron, again making for Controller Maguire, but Controller Ramsden stepped in between them in time to prevent an encounter.

"You can't bluff me," said Controller Maguire. "If you can't act like a gentleman you should not be here at all."

This enraged Controller Cameron more than ever and he tried again to get at his colleague, but, with his coat partly off, he was rushed out of the room by the mayor and Controller Ramsden.

The door was held against him and he was finally quieted down and was induced to leave the building, but even after he was in his car he jumped out and dashed past Controller Ramsden, heading upstairs again. Controller Ramsden finally induced the belligerent controller to depart.

Justice Britton called by death.

Member of Legal Profession for Half a Century—Many Honors.

Death has called one of Canada's most eminent jurists in the person of Hon. Justice Byron Moffat Britton, justice of the King's bench since 1901, who passed away yesterday morning at his home, 498 Huron street. The late judge, who was in his 87th year, had been a member of the legal profession for half a century. He had been suffering from hardening of the arteries since he retired from the supreme court of Ontario last January, but only recently had been confined to bed. Justice Britton was born

in Gananoque in 1833, the son of Postmaster D. F. Britton. He received his early education there, shortly after entering Victoria University, where he took his B.A. degree in 1856, and his M.A. degree in 1858. He was called to the bar in 1859.

Prominent Politically.

In 1856 he was elected a member of the Law Society. He had commenced practicing law in Kingston, and till 1901, when he came to Toronto, he occupied many prominent positions. In 1864 he entered the political arena as a Liberal, but was unsuccessful. Four years later he again unsuccessfully contested the seat for Frontenac. In 1876-7 he was mayor of Kingston, at the same time being a member of the school board and a member of the board of regents of Victoria University. The next three years, from 1882 to 1891, he was county crown attorney and clerk of the peace for Frontenac county.

The deceased was appointed a referee under the Ontario drainage act in 1891, which position he held for five years, and in 1895 he was on the royal commission to investigate the affairs of Toronto University. Valued for his keen judgment and intellectual ability, he successively sat on the "breadgold" concession commission and the hydraulic commission in the Yukon. Since coming to Toronto as justice of the supreme bench of Ontario in 1901, he had disposed of justice for the last eighteen years, prior to his illness, and many important cases had come before him. He was a staunch and active member of Trinity Methodist Church and was connected with the York Club.

He is survived by six daughters and a son. The funeral is to be held in Kingston on Monday.

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Clustering arcade to be subjected to the University of Toronto Memorial Tower, and to house the names of the alumni or members of the University who fell in the War. This is being erected by the returned graduates and undergraduates of the University at a cost of \$25,000.

## MANY ASSISTED BY COMMUNITY WORK

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