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BETHUEL LOVERIN,
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The Railway

Some doubt having been expressed as to the railway company keeping faith with the municipalities with regard to the commencement, completion, and equipment of the road, the solicitors of the company, Messrs. Frazer and Reynolds, write as follows:—

"In order to show the determination of the Brockville, Westport and Sault Ste. Marie Railway Co. to proceed with the construction of the railway after the voting of the bonuses, and the good faith of the promoters of the railway, it has been decided to incorporate in the By-laws to be submitted to the other municipalities the following clauses:—

"That said debentures shall be delivered to the trustees to be appointed in manner directed by the Act incorporating said railway company and shall be held by them in trust in manner directed by said Act, but neither the said debentures nor any of them nor any of the proceeds thereof shall be paid over or transferred by said trustees until the said railway is completed through to the village of Westport, and equipped and put in running order and accepted by the engineer, nor unless work on the said railway be commenced within twelve months after the passing of this By-law, and so completed to the village of Westport within one year after the date of such commencement, and if the said work is not commenced and completed within the said periods, then the said trustees shall hand back the said debentures and all the coupons thereon to the said municipality.

"A clause to the same effect will be inserted in the bond required by the By-law to be given by the railway company to the town of Brockville."

Voting on the Bonus By-law will take place in Bastard and Burgess on Febr'y the 13th, and the By-law will be submitted in the near future to the municipalities of South Crosby, Rear of Leeds and Lansdowne, Elizabethtown, and Newboro. We hope these municipalities will do their duty in this matter, and not place themselves in a position antagonistic to the progress and material prosperity of the county. The same questions will be asked and the same interests considered in these municipalities as have been answered and decided upon

in Brockville and Rear of Yonge and Escott. The whole question, in its every aspect, was carefully and intelligently considered by the rate-payers of the latter municipalities, and the verdict given by them was such as leaves no doubt that when thoroughly investigated the arguments in favor of the By-law outweigh all other considerations.

Scott Act Notes.

A meeting of the Executive Committee of the Scott Act Association for Leeds and Grenville was held in the town of Brockville, on Friday last, the 28th ult. The meeting was called for the purpose of settling up the financial part of the recent Scott Act campaign in these counties. Nearly all the members of the committee were present, and a large amount of business was transacted. The finances were found to be in a satisfactory condition, as after paying all expenses, there will be a balance on hand. After the committee had finished auditing the bills presented, they adjourned to meet at French's Hall, Brockville, on Thursday, 12th of Febr'y, at 11 a. m. The Counties Council being in session in town, quite a few of its members met together at the close of the committee meeting and organized a meeting with Jas. Miller, Esq., Reeve of Edwardsburg, as chairman, and B. Loverin, as Secretary. After considerable discussion, the following resolution, moved by Geo. Gillies, Esq., Gananoque, sec'd by S. Simpson, Esq., Dep.-Reeve of Elizabethtown was carried unanimously:—

"Whereas it is well understood that the present license law is not enforced, and that in the opinion of this meeting it is extremely desirable that it should be strictly enforced preparatory to the coming into force of the Scott Act, and that this can most effectually be done by the formation of local committees in each municipality, with a central executive committee composed of the chairmen of such local committees, it is hereby resolved that steps be at once taken by the Executive Scott Act Committee to have such local committees appointed for the purpose of seeing the license laws strictly enforced."

It was also resolved:—
"That the Secretary communicate with the Vice-Presidents of the different Scott Act Associations throughout the united counties, informing them of the action taken, and as for their co-operation for the formation of a society for the enforcement of the present license laws."

On motion, John M. Gill, Rev. T. G. Williams, and Joseph Deacon, Police Magistrate, were appointed a committee to prepare and draft a constitution and By-laws for the governing of such a society.

On motion, the Secretary was instructed to send an invitation to all parties who are considered favorable

to the formation of an association for the above named purpose, and asking for their cordial co-operation and assistance.

Thursday, Febr'y 12 h at 10 a. m. at French's Hall, Brockville, was selected as the time for the meeting, to organize the association.

The Carnival.

Between three and four hundred persons assembled at Carson City on Tuesday evening, on the invitation of the genial Mayor, to participate in another of those innocent and amusing entertainments that have made Carson City so enjoyable a place of recreation during the past two winters. At 7.30 the crowd began to gather and by 8 o'clock the whole available space was filled; in fact, the number was too large for the convenience of the skaters, as the spectators found it impossible to keep off the ice. The village band was on hand as usual, but owing to the extremely cold weather they were enabled to play but one short piece at a time, as their instruments would freeze up in a very few minutes. "Masks off!" was called at 8.30, when the manager announced that the Scared White Elephant would again make his appearance and be put through a variety of performances. The "animie" shortly afterwards appeared in charge of his trainer, who was dressed in a complete suit of buckskin. As "Confucius" entered the gate, the "Musical Tramp" struck up a polka, and for twenty minutes the monster was kept in motion to the immense delight of the "small boy" as well as to the older portion of the assemblage. Scarcely had Confucius left the ice when an entirely new and novel exhibition was given. The trainer again appeared with a rare and now almost extinct species of the Rocky Mountain Bear. That the evolutions of this animal were natural and life-like were acknowledged by all, and to those not posted the "Bar from the Rockies" would have passed for a true and living representative. It is hardly necessary to say that the Bear was Mr. W. J. Mayou, our village barber. The order observed was of the best, and nothing objectionable was allowed. Mayor Carson is to be congratulated upon the grand success that attended his efforts to give his patrons an evening of mirth and enjoyment. The following is only a partial list of the names of those who masked for the occasion, the crowded state of the ice rendering it almost impossible for our Reporter to get the names of all the participants:—

FARMERSVILLE.—Sidney Hill, Bootblack; Geo. Slack, Runner; Wm. Kerr, Continental Soldier; J. Muirhead, Football Player; J. M. Smith, Saddleboy; L. Brown, American Dandy; Frank Stevens, Lacrosse; Blake Halliday, Stars and Stripes; Watson Wiltse, Chinaman; Lillie

Blackburn, Silver Bells; Miss F. A. Knapp, Spanish Laly; Leah Addison, Indian Princess; Mrs. J. Thompson, Chambermaid; Jas. Judson, Skater; Paulina Moore, Summer; M. Livingstone, Sample Girl; Fred Williams, Courtier; Miss I. Bates, Mother Hubbard; Chas. Worthington, Runner Boy; E. Robeson, Scotch Girl; Miss J. Ritter, Yankee Girl; C. Wiltse, Night; S. Yates, Texas Cowboy; Delorna Wiltse, Chinese Mandarin; W. D. Wight, Highland Laddie; H. Worthington, Lacrosse Boy; M. Kelly, Clown; Al Robeson, Gen. Wolfe; B. Compo, Starlight; E. Wight, H. M. S. Canada; Miss M. Taplin, Nun; J. B. Atcheson, Highland Laddie; Mrs. E. DeWolfe, Oddfellow; R. B. Alguire, Great Mogul; B. W. Loverin, Artium Baccalaureus; Wm. Brown, Irish Dude; Miss Bertha Loverin, Gipsy Queen; Mrs. C. C. Slack, Old Apple Woman; C. Nash, Newsboy; Mrs. W. Rowson, Nun; Mrs. C. G. Alguire, Napanee Baver; Geo. Sherman, Crazy Tramp; Etta Rowsome, Diamond Queen; Mrs. G. A. McClary, Grandma; J. P. Reid, Sec'y of Football Club; Miss Stafford, Goodluck; M. Wing, Nun; L. Wiltse, Milkmaid; Agatha Stevens, Snepherdess; G. F. Donnelly, Nemo; E. Taplin, Indian Chief; W. Connor, Russian; Florence Slack, Stars and Stripes; Minnie Slack, Belle of the Ball; Geo. Smith, Cowboy; Abel Stevens, Diamond King; Frank Judson, Recorder; Hattie Rowsome, Times; Lottie Johnson, Red, White and Blue; Miss Merrick, Sister of Charity; T. S. Webster, King of Diamonds; N. Sherman, General Jackson; Misses Lell Wiltse and Macey Johnson, Pochahontus and Minnie Ha-ha; Mary Ennis, R. W. B.; Mrs. R. B. Alguire, Minnie Ha-ha; Mrs. Alex. Stevens, Spanish Lady; John Ireland, Stars and Stripes; E. De Wolfe, Musical Tramp; Maud Hill, Red Riding Hood; Lou Bulford, Milkmaid; Miss Byres, Evangeline; Ada Yates, Grandma; Chas. Yates, Flower Boy; Misses Avis Smith (Brockville), May Berney, and Maud Addison—the littlest, the prettiest and the best skaters on the rink—were Reporter representatives. [We think, perhaps, these adjectives may get us into trouble, but being a married man, we run the risk.—Ed.]

ELGIN.—Lilly Mott, Sailor Girl; Mattie Howard, Nun; Annie Maghie, Quakeress; Sirena Seed, Nun; Lura Halladay, Red, White and Blue; Maggie Davis, Red, White and Blue; Sterl Pennock, Stars and Stripes; G. Pennock, R. W. B.; Jas. Sexton, Two-face; N. H. Howard, Captain Jinks; Lew Brown, Colored Masher; S. Wing, Capt. Thunderbolt; Lilly Brown, Flower Girl.

DELTA.—W. McCarthy, Texas Ranger; Israel Johnston, Striped Abbott; B. Heaslip, Capt. Jinks; Alex. Stevens, Hauchback; J. W. Russell, What-is-it?