

The matter was debated and finally left over to the Executive Committee of the Canadian Public Health Association, which next day passed the following modified resolution:

Moved by Doctor Bryce (Ottawa), and seconded by Doctor Sheriff (Ottawa), "that this association deems it worthy of urgent necessity that Provincial legislatures pass Acts making provision whereby urban municipalities can make house planning and land purchase schemes, whose operation may include suburban areas."

During the year public bodies interested in the bill renewed their resolutions in its favour. Thus, for instance, at the annual meeting of the Board of Trade, it was resolved on the motion of Mr. R. W. Reford, seconded by Mr. Armand Chaput, "That the Montreal Board of Trade, which since February, 1910, has advocated the creation of a Metropolitan Parks Commission for the Island of Montreal, now notes with gratification that the Quebec Legislature is considering the appointment of such a commission and the board, in annual general meeting assembled, hereby prays that Legislature to adopt, during the present Session, legislation to that end."

The above resolutions are quoted as indicative of the general trend of expert thought, which has helped to form public opinion in the city, in favour of a Metropolitan Parks Commission.

During the last two years every draft bill that has been drawn up for the above movement has always had conjoined with it clauses of a "housing" aspect, since city planning and the comfort of the working classes should never be separated. Consequently, the League has constantly promoted the study of city housing and advocated schemes for garden cities and for model workingmen's dwellings, side by side with those for more parks, playgrounds and open spaces, as desired by all town planners.

The following associations lent valuable cooperation: The Board of Trade and La Chambre de Commerce, The Canadian Manufacturers' Association, The Architects' Association of the Province of Quebec, The Trades and Labor Council, The Parks and Playgrounds Association, The Citizens' Association, The Canadian Club, The Local Council of Women, The Montreal Women's Club, The Fédération Nationale, The Association St. Jean Baptiste, The Children's Aid Society.

To Mr. W. D. Lighthall, K. C., Convenor of the City Planning Committee, and to its members, was due a large measure of the success of the bill. Among these may be mentioned J. George Adami, M. D.; Sir William Van Horne, E. P. Lachapelle, M. D.; J. I. Perron, K. C.; Hon. J. J. Guerin, M. D.; Controller Ainey, Sir Alexander Lacoste, L. A. Lavallee, K. C.; J. I. Finnie, M. D., M. L. A.; W. S. Maxwell, J. R. Gardiner, F. G. Todd, W. Rutherford, Prof. J. A. Dale, J. V. Desaulniers, Farquhar Robertson, Olivar Asselin, Leslie H. Boyd, K. C.; William Lyall, the late Professor Gregor, W. Johnson, H. Bragg, Dr. W. H. Atherton, secretary, and others.

Later an association entitled the Greater Montreal Housing and Planning Association was formed to assist in carrying on the above movement.

The plan movement has made uncertain progress, but still it is appreciable, especially as having overcome initial difficulties and in promoting preparatory measures and amelioration, leading toward the desired goal.