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PARKS COMMISSION AGAIN OBSTRUCTED

Special Committee Declines to Send on to Council Application for Legislation.

The special committee on parks reorganization declined yesterday to pass on to council a recommendation to apply for legislation re a park commission along the lines drawn up by the city solicitor.

Controller Spence claimed that, although the board of control had not given the application to the legislature, someone did so, thereby hitting again at collusion between Controller Hocken and the city solicitor.

Controller Spence said he was willing to have the matter passed on without recommendation for or against.

"I can't get that way," returned Controller Hocken sharply. "I didn't want to come before the board of control and then be thrown out because it hasn't been recommended."

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Controller Hocken's motion was then lost on a tie vote. Ald. Hales and Ald. Armstrong voting with him and Controller Spence, Ald. Chisholm and Bengough against.

Previously on suggestion of Controller Hocken, the bill as drafted by Mr. Chisholm was amended in two respects. A clause was inserted so that any disposal of park land by a commission could only be made with the approval of the city council.

The board decided not to oppose the bill before the legislature to amend the Ontario Railway Act so as to allow members to ride free on the street cars.

The board voted \$10,000 to the House of Industry, thereby supplementing a recent grant of \$13,000. The city's usual donation to the institution is \$12,000.

Archibald McMurphy and Henry O'Hara, directors, who appeared before the board, showed difference of opinion as to the sum needed. Mr. McMurphy holding that a total of \$25,000 would be sufficient, while Mr. O'Hara maintained that \$30,000 was required.

It was stated that there are 250 families being looked after, as against 750 at the same time last year.

The latest applicants for the park commissioners are E. H. Little, 30 Grosvenor-street, and G. H. Conley, 22 Vermont-avenue.

TELEGRAPH BRIEFS. The United States fleet will visit China.

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FIRE DISCOVERED IN HAMILTON HOUSE

Door Kicked In and Inmates Were Awakened—General News of a Busy City.

HAMILTON, March 24.—(Special)—Late to-night Fred McFarlane discovered a fire in the home of Fred Clark, 117 North Wentworth-street.

An entertainment, called a Carnival of Seasons, was given in the school room of the First Congregational church this evening in aid of the Y.W.C.A. building fund.

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Large Funeral at Kingston. KINGSTON, March 24.—This afternoon the funeral of the late Alderman John Gaskin took place from the family residence to St. Paul's church, and thence to Cataract Cemetery. The cortege was one of the largest that have passed through the streets of Kingston in years.

For the theft of \$11 from a roommate, Edgar Matchett was sent to prison for six months, the older Canadian.

Fire caused by an exploding lamp did \$100 damage at 162 DeGrassi-street early yesterday.

Suit has been entered against the G.T.R. for damages for the death of Percy Hildford, killed at Swansea.

First ward Conservatives will have a speaking concert in Oddfellows' Hall, Broadview-avenue, Saturday night.

Frederick Schwalm, tailor, of Colborne-street, has assigned to Oster Wade.

There are two more applicants for the vacant city auditorship—G. H. Conley and E. C. Davies.

Chairman Englehart of the Temiskaming and Northern Ontario Railway commission last night did the inspection of the T. & N. O. Railway.

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