

## STRICTER REGULATION OF ST. JOHN TAXIS AIMED AT IN NEW CITY BY-LAWS

Inspection, Licensing, Fares and Other Features Gone Into—Must Yet Pass the Common Council.

There is to be a general going over of the whole taxi-cab situation in St. John. Loose methods are not to be permitted to prevail and stringent regulations are to govern the situation.

The matter of efficient control of the taxi-cabs of the city, in the interest of the public and the operators of the cars, has been a live issue for some time and this spring the taxi men prepared a set of by-laws which they presented to the Commissioner of Safety. These have been gone over carefully by the city solicitor and representatives of the taxi owners and a draft prepared for submission to the council. This draft was submitted to the council yesterday by Commissioner Harris and after some discussion was recommended for adoption with a changing in the wording which will leave the issuing of licenses in the hands of the Mayor instead of placing it in the hands of the Board.

Following is the text of the by-law as presented yesterday:

1. A Board, consisting of the Chief of Police, one person appointed by the Commissioner of Public Safety and one person selected from among their number by those to whom taxi-cab licenses are issued, shall have power to enforce the provisions of this by-law. Until such last mentioned member shall have been selected the Chief of Police and the person appointed by the Commissioner of Public Safety shall constitute the Board.

2. No person shall keep or operate any motor taxi-cab or other motor vehicle for the conveyance of persons within the limits of the City of St. John for gain unless he shall have obtained and continue to hold a taxi-cab license issued by the Board.

3. Each taxi-cab license issued by the Board shall be expressed to take effect on January 1st of the year for which it is issued. Unless the Board shall deem it advisable owing to special circumstances to act otherwise no license shall be issued after the first day of February in any year or for a period of less than one year. The fee payable for a taxi-cab license whether issued for the whole or part of any year shall be \$15.

4. Any person to whom such a taxi-cab license is issued shall operate his taxi-cab for the full term during which such license is in force and a sufficient ground for the cancellation of or refusal to renew his license by the Board, in case any person to whom a taxi-cab license has been issued is incapacitated by illness, accident or other cause from operating a taxi-cab, he shall notify the Board and shall further notify the Board when his incapacity has terminated.

5. If any person to whom a taxi-cab license is issued dies, becomes insolvent or leaves the city, a license for the unexpired portion of the term of his license may be issued to the purchaser of his equipment provided such purchaser is, in the opinion of the Board, a fit and proper person to be granted a license.

6. No person who is under the age of 18 years shall be granted a taxi-cab license.

7. Every person to whom a taxi-cab license is issued shall be provided by the board with a numbered badge, which shall be worn by such person on the left breast of his outside coat while he is on duty in charge of a motor taxi-cab. Only a person to whom a taxi-cab license is issued shall be permitted to wear and display such a badge when soliciting fares at any place within the limits of the City of Saint John.

8. Every driver to whom a taxi-cab license is issued shall be neatly and cleanly dressed while on duty in charge of a motor taxi-cab and shall conduct himself in a proper manner.

9. Every motor taxi-cab while in operation shall be kept clean and in good working order.

10. Any taxi-cab kept or operated within the limits of the City of Saint John may be inspected at any time by the Chief of Police or by any person or persons named by the board.

11. Every licensed taxi-cab owner who discharges an employee shall notify the board of such dismissal within 24 hours from the time of such dismissal.

12. If any person to whom a taxi-cab license is issued is proved to the satisfaction of the board to have been in the influence of intoxicating liquor during the continuance of force of such license he shall have his license cancelled by the board and shall not be eligible to hold a taxi-cab license for the period of one year after his license is so cancelled.

13. The maximum prices or rates of fare which shall be charged by motor taxi-cabs may be changed and demand for services rendered in conveying passengers from one point to another within the limits of the City of Saint John shall be as follows:

District No. 1—To or from depot, per passenger—South of depot, East of depot to Marsh Bridge.

District No. 2—To or from depot, per passenger—North of depot to New Brunswick and Bentley street, Northeast along Rockland road to head of Burpee avenue.

14. Any passenger from any point in one district to any other point in same district—50c. per passenger.

From any point in No. 1 District to any point in No. 2 District, or any point in No. 2 District to any point in No. 1 District—\$1 for one or two passengers, with 50c. for each additional passenger.

For further service beyond districts already specified, but within the city limits, the charges are as follows:

Fifty cents per mile or portion thereof, irrespective of number of passengers. From any point on eastern side of harbor within No. 1 or No. 2 districts to any point on western side of harbor within city limits by way of ferry—\$2.00 for first passenger, \$1 for second passenger, and 50c. for each additional passenger (passengers paying over ferry).

By way of bridge over Falls—One or two passengers, \$3; each additional passenger, 50c.

Sightseeing—\$4 first hour; each additional hour, \$3.

Shopping and calling within city limits—\$3 per hour (no contracts for less than one hour).

Weddings, balls, social gatherings or calls for service between the hours of 12 p. m. and 6 a. m., by special agreement.

15. Every person to whom a taxi-cab license is issued shall display on the inside of his taxi-cab a card to be furnished by the board setting out the fares as fixed in paragraph 13 of this by-law.

16. Every person having charge of a taxi-cab shall at all times carry with him his taxi-cab license and a copy of this by-law and shall exhibit them to any passenger or police officer when requested to do so. He shall not demand from any passenger more than the rate of fare fixed by Paragraph 13 of this by-law for any service which he has performed for such passenger.

When in any street or in public place within the limits of the City of Saint John he shall not refuse, or previously engaged or for other sufficient reason, to carry any passenger lawfully entitled to be carried in a taxi-cab.

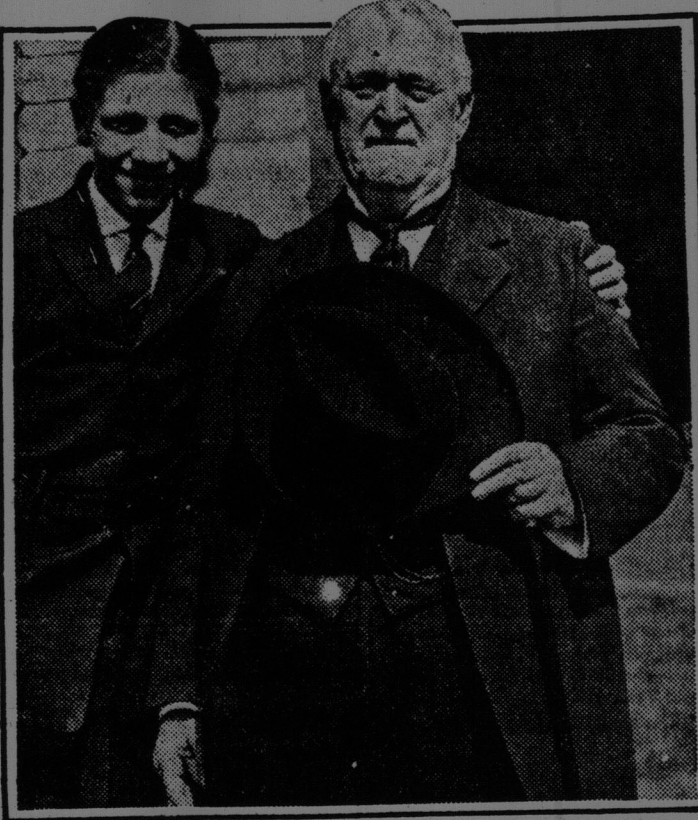
Outside Trips.

17. Whenever a taxi-cab is hired within the limits of the City of Saint John to undertake a trip in whole or in part outside the limits of the City of Saint John the fare shall be agreed upon before the commencement of the trip by the intending passenger or passengers and the licensee is forbidden to commence such a trip until such an agreement has been made. Proof of what appears to the board to be an extortionate charge for such service may be taken into consideration by the board in determining whether a person making such a charge is a suitable person to be licensed under this by-law.

18. If any person to whom a taxi-cab license is issued violates any of the provisions of this by-law he shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding \$20 for each offence and in addition to said penalty he shall, if the board so decides, forfeit his license and be disqualified to hold a license thereafter. Any penalty imposed under this section shall and may be recovered with costs before the Police Magistrate of the City of Saint John on the information of any member of the board or of any member of the police force by summary conviction in the same manner and with like effect as other penalties are recovered and enforced before said police magistrate; and such penalties shall, when collected, be paid into the hands of the Chamberlain of the City of Saint John and form part of the funds of the corporation of the city.

19. There shall be issued by the board in addition to the ordinary taxi-cab licenses "taxi-cab owners' licenses" which shall be issued only to persons who own two or more motor taxi-cabs

## A SENATOR AND HIS PAGE



Senator Lee S. Overman of North Carolina thinks a lot of this page boy. And the lad thinks the senator is about the finest man ever.

Looks like he will be as big a man physically, at any rate, as Overman himself, when he grows up.

and who employ drivers to operate such motor taxi-cabs. Each of such owners shall obtain from the board the same number of "taxi-cab owners' licenses" as he employs drivers. He shall keep the board informed of the names of the drivers employed by him. He shall issue to each driver employed by him one of his licenses. Whenever a person to whom taxi-cab owners' licenses have been issued ceases to employ a driver and engages another in his place he may transfer the license issued by him to his former employee to the driver engaged in his stead.

20. Any taxi-cab owner who employs a driver shall apply to persons to whom "taxi-cab owners' licenses" are issued and their employees to the same extent as to those to whom ordinary taxi-cab licenses are issued.

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positions, he said. The councillors agreed to this.

The fact that the increased valuation of the property of the East St. John Drydock and Shipbuilding Co., Ltd., would to a very appreciable extent relieve the burden imposed on the rest of the community by the taxation for the bill was mentioned by several speakers.

At the conclusion of the meeting votes of thanks to Commissioner Wigmore, Mr. Murdoch, Councillors Dal-

sell and Sampson and Mr. Peck, the owner of the hall, were unanimously passed.

### AUTOMOBILE AFIRE.

The fire department was called out at 8:20 o'clock last evening by an alarm from box 8 on the corner of Pond and Mill streets, and on arrival found that an automobile had been on fire.

The car was No. 17,217, driven by J. R. McKeen, 254 Douglas avenue, and owned by the M. and M. Motor Co., Cliff street. It is believed that a spark set fire to the grease on the engine. Persons who were close by at the time had presence of mind enough to throw some sand on the burning surface and put out the fire, but not before consid-

erable damage was done the front part of the car. When the fire apparatus arrived the fire was out and the firemen returned to their stations. The car was put out of running order and had to be towed to the garage for repairs.

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## TO CONSIDER PLAN FOR WATER SYSTEM

Councillors Will Not Construct E. St. John Sewer System Only.

Arguments pro and con, though mostly pro, flew thick and fast at a largely attended meeting of the ratepayers of East St. John, in Peck's Hall last evening, when the question of the sewerage bill and the necessity for its ratification and the need in East St. John of proper water and sewerage facilities were under discussion. The plebiscite on the bill is to be held next Monday.

The councillors for the district agreed that the adoption of the bill will empower them to proceed with construction of the sewerage system until they had a guarantee from the city that a water system would also be installed at the same time. The cost of both a water and sewerage system would be about \$85,000 and the sewerage system alone would cost \$25,000, it was stated in the report of G. G. Murdoch.

Commissioner R. W. Wigmore, G. G. Murdoch, engineer, Councillors Simpson and Dabell, L. C. McFarlane, who acted as chairman, and about 100 ratepayers, men and women, were present.

When the bill was voted on two years ago it was defeated by a vote of 19 for and 39 against. Only the householders affected voted.

Explains Purpose.

Last night's meeting was called to order by Councillor G. H. Simpson, who explained the reason for the meeting. Commissioner Wigmore pointed out the benefits the district would derive from the installation of the water and sewerage system, and said that the city of St. John was in the past and would continue to be in the future ready and willing to assist the East St. John community in any and every way that it could. He gave the approximate cost of the installation as \$90,000 for

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