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RETAINING WALL PROPOSALS
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Commissioner McLellan at Yesterday's Council Meeting Refused to Support Bond Issue Unless Details Were Furnished of Proposed Expenditure—License Question Discussed.

At yesterday afternoon's meeting of the City Council it was decided on recommendation of Commissioner Russell to issue leases to tenants of city lands, as follows:

Lot 861, Guys Ward, to Frederick M. Long, for seven years from May 1st, 1914, at a rental of \$13.50 per annum, an advance of ten per cent. over former rental.

Lot 533, Queens Ward, to Ada L. Holman, for seven years from May 1st, 1914, at a rental of \$2 per annum, present rental \$1.50.

Lot 1, Block A, Sydney Ward, to Rupert G. Haley, for seven years from May 1st, 1914, at a rental of \$15.40 per annum, an advance of ten per cent. over former rental.

Lot 942, Guys Ward, to Ellen M. Lyzack, for seven years from May 1st, 1914, at a rental of \$24 per annum.

The Commissioner also recommended renewal leases of certain lots in Prince Ward to Frederick A. Peters and of one-half of lot 461 Queens Ward to William Baxter, the rental in the Baxter case to be \$1 per year and in the case of the Peters lease varying from \$120 to \$137.50, according to the lots.

Commissioner Potts thought the council should have more information as to the leases sought by Mr. Peters and Mr. Baxter and moved that consideration of their leases be deferred for one week. Commissioner McLellan seconded this and Commissioner Russell agreeing it was so decided. During the week the information asked for as to value of lots and proportionate rental will be secured.

A Complaint Fyled.

The Consumers' Coal Company complained as to conditions on Sydney Market wharf and slip, South End. They claimed the slip was being filled by the dumping of sand and garbage and that a mud scow stationed there interfered with their access to the slip. After Commissioner Russell reported that he and the harbor master had visited the slip and wharf and could find no ground for the complaint, it was decided to file the communication.

The question of a grant to the Citizens' Committee for recruiting purposes was then discussed and disposed of by reported elsewhere in the C. P. H.

The matter of possible damage from a steam pipe crossing Protection street from the C. P. R. elevator was discussed. As far as could be gathered from the various statements made there was no evidence to the C. P. H. who gave permission to the C. P. H. to install the pipe.

Commissioner Potts moved the council order the C. P. R. to remove the pipe. Commissioner Russell thought the matter should be referred to the Commissioner of Public Works to report at the next meeting and the council divided on this proposition. Messrs. Russell and Wigmore voting for it and Messrs. Potts and McLellan favoring the more aggressive course. The Mayor's decision vote sent the matter to Commissioner Potts for a report.

Mayor Prink thought safeguards should be provided at the old mill pond in West St. John. A fence should be erected for the protection of the public. Commissioner Russell will consider the suggestion.

A communication from J. L. Feeney, superintendent of roads, asked for the use of the city's ten ton roller for work on roads from Torryburn to the city boundary. The request was granted on the understanding that the rent of the roller shall be \$5 per day and the wages of the man in charge, the roller to be kept in good condition.

The Retaining Walls.

The council then went into committee of the whole to consider the matter of retaining walls. In the ensuing discussion Commissioner McLellan stated that the engineer's reports on the work to be done did not contain sufficient information. He instanced the case of certain work ordered on Moore street where he claimed more was being done than had been authorized. Commissioner McLellan declared he would oppose all expenditures of the kind unless sufficient information was presented to satisfy him.

Commissioner Potts, in reply, said the engineer had given all the information necessary, and moved the construction of a retaining wall on Main street from Harriett to Sheriff street, at an estimated cost of \$15,500.

Commissioner McLellan moved in amendment that test pits be sunk and information secured as to the condition of all of the present wall, the report of the tests to be made at the next meeting of the council.

The amendment was not seconded and the motion was put. It was declared lost by the negative vote of Commissioner McLellan, it being necessary to have unanimous support for a bond issue.

Proposals for retaining walls on Rockland Road at an estimated cost of \$964, on Charlotte street at an estimated cost of \$245, and on Brooks street at an estimated cost of \$149, met the same fate, Commissioner McLellan opposing the expenditure without more information.

It was decided that the question of a retaining wall on the West Side at a cost of \$187 should be referred to the city legal department.

A License Question.

Commissioner McLellan asked for information as to the license under which the carnival shows now playing on the Barrack Square are operating. He understood they were charged a license of \$10 a day, while to his mind the shows came more nearly under the clause of the Licensing Act governing circuses, hippodromes and menageries, the license for which is much higher. He desired to place the Chief of Police in a position where he would know how to act.

Mayor Prink said as represented to the license clerk, the shows came under the \$10 license and he had advised that a license issue at that rate. He was prepared to assume the responsibility for the issuing of the license.

This was satisfactory to the Commissioner of Public Safety and the matter dropped. The committee then rose and reported to the council after which council adjourned.

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WEDDINGS.

Bosworth-Sears.

The marriage of Miss Daisy Sears, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. Sears of St. John, to Lieut. Samuel Bosworth, of Montreal, took place at St. Martin's Parish Church, London, recently.

Thompson-Albert.

A pretty wedding took place Wednesday last at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Albert E. Lawrence, Upper Napier, when their daughter, Beatrice Anna, was united in marriage to John S. Thompson of Port Lawrence. The bride was gowned in white silk crepe de chene, and wore a veil with orange blossoms. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Mr. Outbridge.

On Tuesday last the home of Capt. and Mrs. Thomas Mitchell, Campbell, was the scene of a pretty event when their second daughter, Roxa, became the wife of David White, Rev. P. A. Currier officiating. The bride was becomingly attired in white silk with veil and gloves to match. She was attended by Miss Lucinda Calder, who acted as bridesmaid. The guests consisted of a few immediate friends of the family.



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The great secret of success in canning fruit is to destroy the yeast germs that cause fermentation. This can only be done by a high degree of heat. When this is accomplished and the jars made perfectly airtight, it is not necessary to use large quantities of sugar. The trouble has been to obtain this result without cooking the fruit until it loses its firmness, becoming soft and flabby. If these directions are followed carefully, the result will be firm, fine fruit that is not too sweet and is delicious served with or without cream. It also gives the best fruit for pies and puddings.

Make a syrup of one cup of granulated sugar to two cups of water. Let this boil while filling the jars with peeled and halved peaches. Pour the hot syrup into the jars, covering the fruit. Put the glass covers on the jars, but not the rubber rings. Stand jars in a wash boiler, with pieces of wood in the bottom to keep the jars from touching the metal bottom. Pour cold water into the boiler up to the necks of the jars. Cover the boiler and let the water come to the boiling point. Let the jars remain in this boiling water for ten or fifteen minutes. Then open the jars and fill to the brim with hot syrup. Put the rubber rings on and seal quickly.

The same method is as good for plums, except that in the case of plums, the fruit is put into the jars whole.

Fruit for Soldiers, to be sent through the Red Cross or Canadian Clubs should be prepared in the above way. Our boys in the trenches and hospitals get too much jam. They need preserved fruit as nearly like the fresh fruit as possible.

OBITUARY.

Eugene B. McInerney.

Repton, N. B., Aug. 31.—Eugene Banks McInerney, one of our best known and most popular young men passed away yesterday noon at the home of his parents after several months' illness, at the age of 35 years.

and eight months. Gene had spent the last few years in the United States and over a year ago his health became impaired. He returned home, and after a vacation in New York, but the improvement was not permanent and in March he was obliged to again return home, but this time he gradually grew weaker. He is survived by his parents, five brothers, Thomas, of Boston; John A. and Charles, of New Hampshire; Daniel, at home, and George V. who was wounded at the battle of Ypres, and is still in the hospital; also three sisters, Nellie and Alice, at home, and Bessie in the States. The funeral will be held tomorrow morning. Interment will be made in the Catholic cemetery here.

Mrs. Charles H. Stiles.

The death of Mrs. Charles H. Stiles occurred at the General Public Hospital on Monday after an illness of only two days. She had been perfectly well until Saturday evening when she was stricken with cerebral hemorrhage and was hurried to the hospital. She never regained consciousness, however.

Mrs. Josephine Pickett.

Mrs. Josephine Pickett, widow of J. M. Pickett, died on Monday, aged 53 years. She was born at Cromwell Hill, Queens county, but had resided in St. John nearly all her life. She is survived by one daughter, Miss Gladys C. Pickett. Jesse Hughes of this city is a brother. The body was taken to the Narrows yesterday morning for interment.

Mrs. Sarah Mitchell.

At Campbell, on Sunday evening, Sarah, widow of Daniel K. Mitchell, died, aged 80 years. Deceased leaves two sons, William Porter, of Lohab, Me., and Levi Mitchell, of Wilson's Beach, and one daughter, Mrs. Arthur Newman, also of Wilson's Beach.

Mrs. G. M. Busby.

Mrs. Grace McWilliams Busby died at Moncton on Saturday last. She had been in failing health for some time past and her demise was not entirely unexpected. Her husband, Arthur S. Busby, formerly General Passenger Agent of the I. C. R., predeceased her some twenty years ago. Mrs. Busby was in her 82nd year. One son, Stanley, of Winnipeg, and two daughters, Grace and Lou, at home, survive.

Capt. J. C. Bray

Capt. J. C. Bray died in the Moncton hospital on Monday night after a brief illness. Capt. Bray was taken to the hospital on Sunday for an operation for liver trouble in the hope of saving his life, but when the patient reached the hospital, the physicians in attendance decided that he was too weak for an operation and he was

made as comfortable as possible until the end came about midnight. Capt. Bray was a native of Albert county, and followed the sea for many years. About twenty years ago he located at Shediac, where he made his home. The deceased is survived by Mrs. Bray, formerly a Miss Dickie, and one daughter, Miss Lena, at home. Capt. Bray was the last surviving member of a large family, a brother having passed away in Albert county about two weeks ago.

James Edmund Cook Hillsborough, Aug. 31.—The death of Mr. James Edmund Cook occurred at the home of his sister, Mrs. Robert Slater, on Sunday morning at ten o'clock. Deceased was fifty-four years of age and is survived by a wife, one brother, Wellington of Montreal, and two sisters, Mrs. Robert Slater, Hillsboro, and Mrs. James Brown of Moncton. Funeral services were held at the home of his sister, Mrs. Robert Slater, at three o'clock this afternoon, conducted by Rev. S. W. Schurman. Interment in Grays Island cemetery.

FUNERALS.

The funeral of Mrs. Mary Gormley took place yesterday morning from her late residence, Moore street, to Holy Trinity church, where requiem high mass was celebrated by Very Rev. J. J. Walsh, V. G. Interment took place in the old Catholic cemetery. Her nephews acted as pallbearers. A large number of beautiful floral tributes were received.

The funeral of Mrs. Albert Wonnocott took place yesterday afternoon from her late residence, City road. Burial services were conducted by Rev. W. G. Lane, and interment took place in Fernhill.

The funeral of Mrs. Grace Busby took place from the Union station yesterday morning on the arrival of the

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