

existing laws upon the subject, and the application to the Legislature of the Province for additional powers, by which they may be enabled to secure the widening of the streets of the City, and the absolute prohibition of the existence of wooden buildings of any description within the city limits; and that the City Council be recommended immediately to adopt the most stringent by-laws to secure the city and suburbs from a recurrence of a disaster similar to that under which we are now suffering.

Mr. Kinnear moved the fourth Resolution, seconded by C. Dunkin, Esq. :

That in the opinion of this meeting, as it cannot be expected that funds will be obtained from voluntary subscriptions more than will provide means for the relief of the immediate necessities of so vast a crowd of sufferers, it is expedient and advisable that no time be lost on the part of the City authorities, in putting themselves in communication with the Executive Government of the Province, with a view of obtaining from the Legislature the guarantee of the Province for a loan of money adequate to the emergency, to be advanced to applicants for the re-erection of their dwellings, and under such guarantees for repayment of the amount borrowed, as the legislature in its wisdom, may deem fit to exact—the said buildings to be of stone or brick, roofed with tin, iron, slate, or other non-inflammable material.

A. M. Delisle, Esq., moved the fifth Resolution, seconded by T. J. Loranger, Esq. :

That this meeting is impressed with the opinion that, to the absence of proper arrangements for an adequate supply of water is mainly to be attributed the calamity with which the City has been afflicted,—That therefore it is incumbent upon the Corporation, with a view to obviating a recurrence of the disaster, to carry out to the fullest extent the provisions of the Act authorizing the imposition of a rate upon every house in the City and Suburbs, into which the water pipes can be introduced; also the formation of reservoirs and the establishment of Hydrants throughout the City; and if the provisions of the Act be considered insufficient, to appeal to the Legislature for such amendments in it as will enable the City Council fully to provide for the completion of the Water Works and the securing therefrom an adequate return.

Proposed by J. D. Lacroix, Esq., seconded by the Rev. Mr. Jenkins :

That the following gentleman be requested to act as a Committee, to be called the "Montreal Relief Committee" (with power to add to their numbers, secure the services of a competent Secretary and assistants, &c.) whose function it shall be to act with and aid the City Authorities in obtaining contributions for the relief of the sufferers by the late fire, and otherwise to assist the City authorities in carrying out the principles and objects embodied in the resolutions now adopted—and that the clergy of all denominations in this city be ex-officio members of this Committee.

Hon. George Moffatt, Hon. Wm. Badgley, Mr. Anderson, William Molson, John Molson, Hon. Wm. Morris, Mr. Gilmour, Mr. Holmes, A. Simpson, J. G. Mackenzie, D. Kinnear, Hon. James Ferrier, Col. Maitland, Mr. Townshead, Saml Benjamin, Mr. Speirs, J. Lovell, Duncan Gibb, Mr. Henderson, John Curran, Wm. Gemmill, P. Brennan, Wm. Burnett, John Sutherland, Noah Shaw, Jacob DeWitt, Wm. Workman, N. Froste, C. Dunkin, Wm. Bristow, Hon. L. H. Lafontaine, Hon. Jos. Bourret, Mr. Cherrier, Mr. Dumas, T. Peltier, O. Berthelet, D. Masson, J. L. Beaudry, G. E. Cartier, J. W. A. R. Masson, E. Hudon, Mr. Bouthiller, A. Laroque, A. Laframboise, Pierre Jodoin, T. André Lapierre, Louis Renaud, Chs. S. Rodier, Jurr. Lewis Bruneau, Jos. Belle, François Benoit, N. S. Whitney, C. Phillips, C. A. Leblanc, Jos. Vallée, Jean Bte. Dubuc, E. R. Fabre, Jos. Pelletier, A. M. Delisle, J. A. Berthelot, A. A. Dorion, Chs. D. Roy, A. Prevost, M. H. Seymour, Dr. W. Nelson, James Court, Thos. Kay, Robt. Campbell.

It was further proposed by J. Beaudry, Esq., seconded by John Ostell, Esq. :

That this meeting emphatically call on the Corporation without delay, to carry out the resolutions adopted at this meeting.

Mr. Sheriff Boston then moved, that the Mayor do leave the Chair, and the Hon. L. H. Lafontaine do take it, which being carried, he moved :

That the thanks of the meeting are due to the Mayor for presiding over the meeting.

He regretted that His Worship the Mayor should have been absent at the time the fire took place, as he had always found him active in the discharge of his duties in cases of emergency.

The Resolution having been carried, the meeting then adjourned.

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