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HAMILTON NEWS

THE CANADA LIFE REMOVAL

Mayor Teetzel Wants to Hold the Headquarters of the Company in Hamilton.

A SUGGESTION AS TO TAXATION. Considerable injustice done when the reduction was made by the City Council-General.

Minimum Rate will be Fixed Below the Toronto Figures if the Company Will Stay.

Hamilton, Feb. 20.—(Special.)—This morning Mayor Teetzel sent the following letter to Mr. A. G. Hamann, President of the Canada Life Assurance Company.

"Dear Mr. Hamann:—Referring to the resolution of the shareholders of your company, passed on Tuesday last, regarding the removal of your head office from Hamilton, I have received an intimation that the question is still under the consideration of your Board of Directors.

Assuming such to be the case, I beg to suggest that a committee of your Board should meet a committee to be appointed by the City Council, with a view of endeavoring to arrive at an understanding regarding your company's taxation in this city, which would be satisfactory to both corporations. I need scarcely assure you that our citizens feel very keenly the prospect of losing the head office of your company, and while neither Mr. Cox nor any of the speakers at your shareholders' meeting (as reported in the press) suggested that your company's assessment in Hamilton had anything to do with the proposal to change the head office, I assume if the matter is left with the directors to decide they would not doubt take up the question with a view of having it settled upon a more satisfactory basis than exists at present.

With a view of securing the retention of your head office here, as at present, I may say that not only would the proposed appeal from the Court of Revision be abandoned, but I would recommend the assessment Department of Toronto to make up \$500,000 as the amount of your company's assessment for income should your head office be located in that city. I can assure you that, as part of an arrangement to be prepared to fix your income assessment at a sum very much less than the above amount for, say, 10 years at least."

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THE MAYOR PLACES HIMSELF ON RECORD

The Mayor Places Himself on Record in Regard to Number of Licenses.

When the Reduction was Made by the City Council-General.

Hamilton, Feb. 20.—(Special.)—Mayor Teetzel placed himself on record in regard to the question of liquor licenses at tonight's meeting of the Markets Committee.

Before the committee a resolution was moved and Mr. Teetzel seconded that the Mayor be authorized to request the Board of License Commissioners to reduce the license fee for salaried persons to \$100 per annum.

The Mayor stated that he was in favor of such a reduction, but that he would not support it if it meant a reduction in the number of licenses.

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THE LOTTRIDGE CREDITORS

Held Another Meeting Behind Closed Doors at Hamilton Yesterday.

NO SENSATIONS WERE ADDED

Canada Life Withdrew Its Claim on the Estate and Relies on Securities It Holds.

Hamilton, Feb. 20.—(Special.)—France has elected a President, but the famous Grant-Lottridge brewery is still without a manager. Up to last Friday the brewery was managed by Mr. J. Lottridge, but in the list of officers then elected the management was left vacant, waiting for the result of the creditors' meeting of the Lottridge estate.

The sitting of the Lottridge creditors, however, developed no sensations.

The meeting was held at the residence of the late owner, and there was a representative attendance.

The Canada Life withdrew its claim of \$25,000 against the Lottridge estate, and declared that it would depend upon the security it holds. There are made up of \$75,000 bonds on the business of the brewery, \$78,000 in brewery stock and \$30,000 insurance.

The Bank of Hamilton claim of some \$15,000 is held on the plant and stock.

The meeting gave Mrs. Lottridge a bill of sale of the brewery, and the result of the action of the Canada Life, Bruce, J. C., solicitor for the Canada Life, resigned the position, and was replaced by C. S. Murray. The latter, with Inspectors J. Pettigrew and H. J. Stephens and Associates, retained a legal opinion, and went to straighten the tangle out.

The press was shut out from the chambers, but an interview with the creditors they filed out, revealed as many ideas of the final result as there were individuals. One remarker said: "The estate is the public as you can, for the estate may come out all right."

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ON AND OFF THE STAGE

Good Play at the Grand.

"Way Down East," the new American play which scored such a big success at the Manhattan Theatre, New York, was presented in splendid style at the Grand last evening.

Although the season of Lent, the strutting of the play and the universal acknowledgment of its popularity sufficed to draw a big house. The play is a masterpiece of its kind, and the "Old Homestead" style of play will be the grand finale of the season.

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