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Met to Form a Municipal Government For St. John's—Their Resolutions, Bye-Laws, etc.

(By James Murphy.)

Mr. W. Thomas seconded the motion and solicited the indulgence of the meeting while he addressed them in exculpation of some mis-statements made against him as one of the Council by certain gentlemen who had been in a minority, and had withdrawn themselves from the Committee, and had published a counter-report.

Mr. Thomas Bennett had addressed the meeting in explanation and justification of himself and other seceders from the committee.

Mr. M. Thomas said a few words in explanation.

Mr. Benjamin Bowring followed Mr. Bennett in support of the conduct of the seceders from the committee, and stated two objections to the plan contained in the report, and moved that in lieu of it, the counter report of the seceders be adopted, which he read as follows:

Resolved,—That the town is already provided with a magistracy and police efficient for all ordinary purposes. That it is expedient to petition for a repeal of the 35th Section of the 57 of 5 Geo. 4, and for the passing of an Act of Parliament to empower the inhabitants of St. John's to elect annually a Town Council consisting of 12 resident inhabitants, who shall be empowered to make bye-laws for the prevention of fires, the establishment of fire companies, the formation of a night watch, and for the prevention and removal of nuisance. That such bye-laws having received the sanction of the Governor for the time, shall be binding upon the inhabitants of St. John's and shall be enforced by the ordinary constituted authorities. That all persons qualified to serve as Jurors shall be eligible to be elected members of the Council, and when so elected shall be compelled to serve for one year under a penalty of £20 but shall not be obliged to act for the space of three years from the time of their leaving office. That for the purposes aforesaid the town shall be divided under the direction of His Excellency the Governor, into four wards, from each of which three Council men resident within the same shall be elected by the inhabitants thereof who are qualified to vote. That all persons who are householders or leaseholders paying a rent of £10 per annum or upwards, or being freeholders shall be entitled to vote. That considering the poverty of a great part of the population of this town, and the difficulty of an assessment therein, it is expedient to petition His Majesty's Government to au-

thorize His Excellency the Governor, not to appropriate such a part of the sum arising from the rents of ships' rooms which formerly belonged to the town of St. John's, or from other sources of public revenue, as may be sufficient to defray the expenses which the regulations now contemplated, may require. That the boundaries of the town for the purpose aforesaid shall not be extended beyond the limits defined by the street act.

Mr. John Stewart seconded Mr. Bowring's motion.

Dr. Carson addressed the meeting in support of the original motion and report.

Mr. J. Williams spoke against the principle of undue taxation.

Mr. Howson addressed the meeting in support of the report of the seceders.

Mr. Patrick Morris spoke in reply to those who sustained the report of the seceders from the committee, and in further support of the original motion.

When the question was called, the chairman rose and stated that pursuant to the course which had been suggested during the discussion, he should take the sense of the meeting first on the report of the committee, which if negative he would then submit the report of its opponents to the like vote, and in order that all persons might perfectly know what was first submitted to their opinion, he would read the report at length, which having been done and a show of hands having been called for the affirmative, the chairman declared that the report of the committee was voted for adoption by a large majority.

A division having been hereupon called for by the supporters of the report moved by Mr. Bowring, a division took place, and the chairman declared the majority of votes to be in support of the original motion.

(Sgd.) JAMES SIMMS, Chairman. James Simms, Esq., having quitted the chair, and J. N. Brookings, Esq., being called thereto, the thanks of the meeting were given to Mr. Simms, for his proper and praiseworthy conduct in the chair.

(Sgd.) J. N. BROOKING. Here is a petition presented to the Governor:

To His Excellency Sir Thomas Cochrane, Knight, Governor and Commander in Chief, &c.: May it please Your Excellency,—

We, the undersigned merchants and inhabitants, householders of St. John's Newfoundland, beg leave to approach Your Excellency with the mere unfeigned sentiments of respect to your person and government sincerely regretting that we are obliged again to intrude ourselves upon your notice respecting the differences which existed and still exists as to the mode and of the inhabitants of this town.

We assure Your Excellency that whilst we shall willingly submit to

the opinion of the majority of those concerned whenever that opinion shall have been fairly declared, we assert with regret that the town's meeting held on the 16th instant to obtain the sentiments of the inhabitant householders was without a satisfactory result, it being alluded to by every person then present that members appeared upon each side of the question (upon a division taking place) who were not interested in the measure, and consequently had no right to vote. Yet notwithstanding the division, has only tended to convince your memorialists that the larger part of respectable householders were decidedly against the measure, then and there intended to be forced upon them.

We therefore most earnestly implore Your Excellency that you will not forward as the sentiments of the inhabitants of St. John's the result of that day's deliberation until a more decisive method has been adopted to obtain the public opinion, and this, we submit to Your Excellency, may be done impartially if you will be graciously pleased to order that an enquiry of the name, description and residence of the inhabitant householders shall be made in either of two books to be left in the care of two of the magistrates or of the High Sheriff. Signed the same as the memorial of Feb. 26th, 1926.

(Concluded to-morrow.)

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When your throat rattles, your lungs and chest are sore, your throat is stuffed with cold—don't fear consumption—use Catarrhoxone and get well. It clears the throat, cures hacking, relieves tight chest and soreness in the bronchial tubes. To clear away Catarrh of the nose nothing could be better. Catarrhoxone is nature's own remedy—it heals and soothes—cures every form of throat, lungs and bronchial trouble. Prescribed by many specialists and used by thousands every day. Get the dollar outfit, it lasts two months and is guaranteed. Small size 50c; trial size, 25c, sold everywhere.

At the City Hall.

The weekly session of the Municipal Board was held last night. Chairman Gosling presided and there were also present Messrs. Withers, Bradshaw, McGrath, McNamara, Morris and Anderson.

In answer to a letter from the S. P. A. the Reid Co. stated that their Supt. of City Works would attend to the matter, but this was not considered good enough and the Engineer was ordered to make enquiry.

The Engineer was also instructed to enquire into the Commercial Cable Co.'s complaint to the effect that traffic on Lakeview Avenue was causing damage to their cables which pass through there.

The Reid-Patterson Co. offered to bring an expert here at an early date to repair Duckworth Street where the paving was done last year. In reply to Council's letter re insurance rates, the Board of Trade stated they were in full sympathy and that a Committee had been chosen to discuss the matter with the Council, which will comprise the Chairman and two others.

Permission was refused Francis Chaytor to make repairs to a house on the south side of Waldegrave St.

The Trustees of Cochrane Street Church asked leave to build a concrete wall at the rear of the church, referred to Engineer.

Mrs. McRae asked if she could build a garage. Will be asked to submit plans.

The Sanitary staff's request for an increase of pay was referred to the Sanitary Committee.

Two of the foremen of the Water Works Committee also asked for more wages. Will be considered by the Finance Committee.

Moses Spurrell, Caretaker of Bannerman Park, asked for an increase of pay. Referred to Park Committee.

Hon. S. D. Blandford's request for refund of money paid for an insurance fee will be enquired into.

Plans submitted by the Imperial Oil Co. of proposed plant on the South Side were not approved of.

Tessier & Co. asked permission to repair house corner of Livingstone St. and Carter's Hill. Refused, but they will be asked to sell the land to the city.

The meeting then adjourned.

Amusements.

AT THE CRESCENT.

The usual big week end programme is on at the Crescent Picture Palace to-day. New pictures, new songs and new music. "The Battle of Elderbush Gulch" is an Indian war feature in two reels. "Not Wanted" is a pathetic child story by the Edison Company featuring Sally Crute and H. Prior. "Dreamy Dud Visits His Uncle's Farm" and makes trouble for uncle and the stook. Ham and Dud are turned "Spook Raisers" and create a gale of fun. Mr. Frank DeGroot sings two comedy numbers and tells some funny Casey stories, a regular vaudeville act. To-morrow the usual extra pictures will be shown for the children's benefit; send them to the Crescent for a good afternoon's enjoyment.

Stafford's Phoratorine Cough Cure is a good preparation for all kinds of Coughs and Colds.

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AT THE NICKEL!

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In 2 Acts—"A JITNEY ELOPEMENT"—In 2 Acts.

BERT STANLEY and JACK LANE in New Numbers.

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Mr. Eugenius Outerbridge

ELECTED CHAIRMAN OF N. Y. CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

On May 4th, Mr. Eugenius H. Outerbridge, the younger brother of Sir Joseph Outerbridge, was elected President of the Chamber of Commerce of the State of New York. He succeeded Mr. Seth Low. This Chamber of Commerce is a very old institution as will be apparent from the fact that the election of Mr. Outerbridge took place at the 148th annual meeting. The importance of the office is apparent from the fact that the State of New York is the seat of one of the most important commercial centres of the world. Mr. Seth Low retired on account of ill-health and in doing so sent a letter of regret that ill-health had compelled him to remain away from sessions of the Council. He enclosed \$5,000 in debentures as a present to the Council.

Patriotic Fund.

Amount acknowledged	\$107,069.89
Captain W. H. Green, 1st Newfoundland Regt. Representing payment to March 31st, of allotment, declared in favor of Patriotic Fund	126 00
S. S. Stentford, Esq., Heart's Content	5 00
Hon. H. J. B. Woods, 2nd	25 00
per A. W. Batsone, Esq., Anonymous	64 67
Social Benefit Society, Jackson's Cove, N.D.B., per A. W. Batsone, Esq., L.O.A., P.G. Lodge, per Jordan Milley, Secy.	20 00
Proceeds Impromptu Concert held on Parade Day, L.O.L. Hyacinth, Lev-isorte, per H. T. Moore, Esq.	23 50
D. A. McLaine, Esq., 4th	7 00
Installation, Bonavista Patriotic Association, per H. J. Swyers, Esq.	435 07
W. Howe, Green, Captain Nfld. Regt., 2nd instalment	90 00
Proceeds concert Hodge's Cove, Random, per Miss Harriet Middleton	4 00
Sunday School Collection at St. Paul's, Hr. Buffet per Rev. A. Shorter	3 50
Proceeds Patriotic entertainment, Hr. Buffet, per Rev. A. Shorter	13 50
	\$107,949.13

JOHN S. MUNN,
Hon. Treas. Patriotic Fund.

Here and There.

LEAVES LIVERPOOL.—The s.s. Graciana leaves Liverpool again on Thursday next for this port.

Fresh Salmon, Fresh Halibut, at ELLIS'.

CONTRIBUTION FOR COT FUND.—Mr. D. M. Baird, Treasurer of the Cot Fund, is in receipt of \$110.10, donated by the sailing crew of the s.s. Viking.

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CHANGED MEETING NIGHT.—The City Council have changed their night of meeting from Friday to Thursday and last night held their weekly session.

REACHED BELL ISLAND.—The S. S. Terra Nova sailed from here last evening and reached Bell Island at 10 p.m. She takes ballast there before loading pit props for Europe.

BASEBALL ACTIVITIES.—The various baseball teams are now getting in trim for the season's games. The opening game will come off some time in June.

PRIVATE PUTT WOUNDED.—The name of Thomas Puit, son of George and the late Mary Puit, of the Goult, Bay Bulls Road, appears in a recent Canadian casualty list as wounded. He enlisted with the C.E.F. at Sydney.

SHIPPING WORK.—The arrival of so much shipping within the past few days has given plenty of employment to workmen and almost every labourer along the waterfront is engaged. During the next few days the steamers Stephano, Florizel and Tabasco will be in port.

FOR SALE.—One Evinrude Detachable Rowboat Motor. Absolutely new. Never out of box. For lake, river or sea. A snap. \$60.00. Cost \$85.00. Apply this office.—may 10.1f

CITY'S COLLECTION.—Last week's collections amounted to \$2,938.22 as compared with \$3,450 for the corresponding week last year. The expenditure so far for 1916 is \$1,701.38 against \$1,497.84 for the same period last year.

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The very thing for morning wear, serviceable shades; sizes 36 to 46.

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Here and There.

ELLIS' for Fresh Fish.

apr 24.1f

COPPER ORE CARGO.—The S. S. Erik sailed from Tilt Cove yesterday for New York with a cargo of copper ore.

MORE DIPHTHERIA.—A little girl living in Knight Street was reported to be suffering from diphtheria yesterday and was removed to the Fever Hospital.

Good Sign of Fish at Holyrood.

Private Michael Hickey, of F. Company, Newfoundland Regiment, who was invalided home from England recently, was in town yesterday from Holyrood. Mr. Hickey informs us that there is an unusually good sign of codfish at Holyrood for so early in the season and that on Tuesday last one fisherman secured five quintals.

Here and There.

Turkeys, Ducks, Chicken, at ELLIS'—apr 19.1f

TWO WOMEN INSANE.—By yesterday evening's express two women came for the Lunatic Asylum.

PICKLED HERRING CARGO.—The schr. Francis Willard left Woods' Island last evening for Sydney with a thousand barrels of pickled herring.

LIGHT, HEAT, COMFORT!

The proprietor of one of the best known multiple shopping systems is credited with saying, "Give me any old shop, in any old street, and I'll guarantee to make it in twelve months the most widely known and best frequented shop in the district." He was asked to explain. Holding up three fingers he said, "I believe in the trinity of LIGHT, WARMTH, COMFORT. I should dazzle the moths until the candle drew them. The subdued, warm, comfortable glow, filled with a soft, pleasing radiance, and the rest is—well, mere child's play."

Mixed metaphors, perhaps, but expressive. Now we can more than imagine the kind of shop this well-known individual would open, for we pass it in almost every town—always a landmark to the street. No one fails to notice it. There is an indefinable air of welcome and invitation as one stands for a moment on the pathway and lets one's gaze travel inside it. The subdued, restful lighting effect that so charms because of its very unobtrusiveness, the absence of dark corners, the intangible feeling that if one would step inside one would be sure of experiencing a delicious sense of warmth and comfort and cheerful ease—all these are part of its appeal. Truly a shop with an individuality.

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Ladies

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Ladies

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Ladies

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Ladies

Larger size, for ... Smaller size, for ...

Ladies

2 brand new handles; set with steel rod; stout frame; Friday, Saturday, Special

Ladies

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Ladies

54c