

FORTY-FOURTH YEAR

RATEPAYERS WILL VOTE MARCH 23 ON THE STREET RAILWAY BY-LAW

By-Laws Given the Necessary Readings at Meeting Last Night.

It is Now Up to the People of This City to Decide--Extensions Provided for.

At the meeting of the City Council last night the Street Railway purchase by-law went through with flying colors and the ratepayers will vote on the proposition on March 23.

Naturally it is asked what does the by-law mean in the way of expenditure, actual and otherwise and what are the people to get for their money.

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A Big Question. The Street Railway proposition looms up at once as the biggest municipal question Brantford has faced in many years. It might be asked whether a mill on the dollar in the tax rate would more than compensate the interests of the city in general for good service to several thickly populated districts such as Grand View, Eagle Place and West Brantford, which have been cut off from communication quick and easy with the heart of the city for years past.

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MONROE DOCTRINE IS INSTRUMENT OF ANARCHY

LONDON, Feb. 24.—Sharp comment is made by the Manchester Guardian to-day on Sir Edward Grey's statement in the House of Commons yesterday in regard to the killing of William S. Benton at Juarez by General Villa.

Get Behind And Give Old Home Week Movement A Boost, Says Ald Ward

Ride the Elephant on the Market Square—Council Grants Partial Use of the Square During Old Home Week.

That pristine square, donated by the Indians for use by the City of Brantford as a market, will be used during Old Home week this summer in part and parcel, providing that the producing farmer has reasonable access to place his baskets on the Saturday which closes the re-union.

The council last night was on the doing in Brantford next August. He pointed out that Stratford City Council gave \$1,000 towards Old Home Week. A revenue was necessary to hold such an event, and he wanted everybody to get behind the doing in Brantford next August.

Ald. Ward was sponsor of the resolution for the use of the market. At first he had it to read "to use market as the Old Home Week executive thinks fit and proper."

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Did Inventor of Telephone Discover Use of Radium?

Alex. Graham Bell Credited With Its Application For Treatment of Cancer—A Long Lost Letter is Found

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—A letter written over a decade ago by Dr. Alexander Graham Bell, the inventor of the telephone, and recently discovered, is causing his many friends here to wonder whether he was not the first man to suggest the imbedding of radium in bodily tissue as a curative agent for deep-seated cancers.

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The Gas Company Has A Perpetual Franchise Under An Act of 1851

So Announced Mayor Spence Last Night—The Sulphur Situation is Again Subject of Discussion.

The Tibury gas always a prolific source of aldermanic oratory was to the fore again last night at the City Council meeting. One alderman even told a nursery story about sulphur and it was timely but scarcely parliamentary.

To these queries the mayor replied that he wasn't endowed with divine powers, and did not know whether the gas main at Tibury was burst or not. He did, suspect, however, that the extreme weather was the cause of a great deal of trouble.

SIX NATIONS RESERVE MIGHT BE REMOVED

Legislation Introduced at Ottawa in Regard to Indian Reserves Has Important Bearing on This County.

For many years Brant County municipal authorities have declared that the Indian Reserve was a milestone in the district their removal to another location might be arranged by the department on terms to be fixed by the Exchequer Court.

A Government bill will be introduced shortly in the name of Hon. Dr. Roche, Minister of the Interior, amending the Indian Act in a number of particulars. The principal change will have to do with the removal of reserves. The Act was recently amended to provide that in case Indians located close to a town of 8000 people or more were unwilling to surrender their lands to facilitate development in the district their removal to another location might be arranged by the department on terms to be fixed by the Exchequer Court.

The L. E. & N. Railway Wants Right To Carry Freight On City Lines

Chief Engineer W. P. Kellett of the Lake Erie and Northern Railway prior to the City Council meeting last night waited upon the Mayor and other civic authorities in reference to an arrangement with the city, in the event of the street railway purchase for the hauling of freight at night on the city lines.

ACCEPT RELIEF, HAVE MONEY TO PAY FINE

Foreigners Convicted of Selling Wheels Get Out of Jail.

Benefit Performances.

The proprietors of the Brant Theatre have arranged two performances for the benefit of the Junior Hospital Aid. On Friday afternoon and evening half of the proceeds will go to this worthy organization.

LABOR LEADERS WILL NOT LEAVE THE SHIP

Those Deported From South Africa Arrive In England To-day.

Sympathizers Had Arranged To Celebrate Their Arrival.

GRAVESEND, Eng., Feb. 24.—Nine of the ten labor leaders deported from South Africa on board the Umgeni on January 27, after the general strike had been broken by the government, declared their intention of refusing to leave the vessel when she arrived here to-day.

When seen this afternoon Mayor Spence said he was quite satisfied with the issue, as Brantford would not have to raise the money required for the purchase of the bonds.

Arthur Henderson, a labor member of parliament, and other British labor leaders went out in a tug down the Thames to meet the deported labor leaders from South Africa, but the captain of the Umgeni refused to allow any one to come on board.

TEN LASHES FOR BEATING HIS WIFE

Magistrate Livingston Hands Out Judgment To-day Against Indian.

The Brantford Gas Company were down to answer a charge of causing a nuisance, but another remand was granted. This is understood to be the last remand which will be allowed, and the charge will be enlarged for a week.

Theft of Coal. A Maltese youth by name of Antonia Yilla, was charged with stealing coal, belonging to E. H. Walsh, on the Grand Trunk Railway, at the police court this morning. He pleaded not guilty and stated that he had taken a few shovelfuls from the track. Percy Walsh, giving evidence, proved a valuable but not comprehensive witness. He told his story and missed the points which the Crown Attorney wished to bring out.

The refusal of the deported men to leave the Umgeni on her arrival had not been anticipated here. The labor members of parliament had arranged a complimentary dinner in the dining rooms of the House of Commons and demonstrations at the opera house and in Hyde Park.

The Umgeni proceeded up the Thames to one of the London docks before any further steps were taken in connection with the landing of the men.

WIRED FOR DATES

Effort to Get Connie Mack's White Elephants to Play in Brantford.

President Nelson of the Brantford Baseball Club yesterday wired Connie Mack, manager of the world's champion Philadelphia team, asking for an offer to play in Brantford during Old Home Week in August.

Will Take Inventory. Ald. Charlton, chairman of the Railway committee of the City Council had a resolution put through in the dying hours of the council last night appointing a committee to make an inventory of all the stock and equipment at present held by the Grand Valley Railway Company.

Borden Club Rally Saturday. The Borden Club will hold a rally Saturday night, when a good program will be provided those in attendance. Arrangements are under way to secure a member of the Ontario Legislature to speak on public questions. Mayor Spence will also address the meeting on "Public Ownership of Public Utilities."

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NO SIGN OF SHIP BEARING STRIKERS. Deported South Africans May Have Been Landed Secretly at Way Port.

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