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THE MAYOR AND HYDRO.

The Globe on Saturday quoted Mayor Schofield as saying that he is now "prepared to use his influence with the council to the end that the city may secure control of the New Brunswick Power Company," and again as "having no hesitation, now that the emergency act is law, in going in for municipal ownership."

If this means that the mayor favors purchasing the whole plant of the New Brunswick Power Company he is introducing into the civic election campaign something that has no business there. The question before the people is civic distribution of hydro, not the purchase of the whole power company plant.

So far as may be inferred from the mayor's statement, as quoted by the Globe, since he refers to the emergency act, he favors taking over the company's property by arbitration. That is to say, if the citizens by plebiscite voted in favor of arbitration they would have to pay whatever price the arbitrators named, even if it should be three million dollars more. The people will not endorse any such proposal. They are not in the market for anything but hydro electric current, and to get it delivered at cost. To introduce this other issue is to attempt to persuade them to buy something they do not want, and to buy in the dark. They will not consent to any such unbusiness-like course of action.

It is to be noted, however, that the mayor has abandoned the policy which he proclaimed at his meeting in the Imperial. On that occasion he and Mr. Ross appeared to have doubts about the volume of power at Musquash. The latter stood by his report and warned the people to go very slow. The mayor wanted a two years trial of distribution by the power company, and could see no money in sight for civic distribution. Has it suddenly been discovered that the council can go down into the basement of City Hall and dig up the money? What was impossible or impracticable or imprudent a few weeks ago now appears to be both possible and desirable.

The citizens, however, are not concerned at the moment about the mayor's change of view. He has not changed enough. He still has the power company in his mind, and what he apparently proposes is an arbitration that would render the city helpless in regard to the price to be paid for something it does not want.

One of the reasons the mayor gives for his change of base, if he is correctly quoted by the Globe, can hardly be described as the calm reasoning of a sane and sane business man, or such as a man would be governed by in his own business. The Globe says he favors municipal ownership, "especially since the common council was referred to in Fred. Erickson as robbers, thieves, out-throats, soundbriars, etc." Would Mayor Schofield, in his own business, alter his views on a business matter of grave importance because somebody assailed him with opprobrious epithets? Would that be safe and sane?

The mayor's latest deliverance has not changed the situation so far as the voters are concerned. They are not in the market to purchase a street railway and gas plant, but to get the hydro current from Musquash delivered at cost. That is the issue. What the New Brunswick Power Company and its friends may want is another story and does not concern the people at all.

COM. BULLOCK'S LETTER.

Commissioner Bullock, in a letter in today's Times, suggests a plebiscite on two questions: Civic distribution, and civic purchase of the whole plant of the New Brunswick Power Company.

This would be entirely spurious. A plebiscite on civic distribution was taken at the primary elections. There was no room for doubt as to the verdict.

As to the question whether the city wants to buy out the New Brunswick Power Company, no plebiscite is needed. The city is not in the market. If under the terms of the act passed last week the power company makes an offer to sell, it might or might not be considered. The present business of the people is to get the Musquash hydro-electric current distributed at cost, and this important business should not be tangled up with any other scheme. When the people have a city council committed to civic distribution they will have accomplished their aim, and they will not be turned aside at this stage of the proceedings by any proposal that would introduce new matter. One thing at a time and that well done is the only safe motto, and the one thing is civic distribution of hydro.

If the Irish republicans are well-advised they will not alienate the sympathy of Americans for Ireland. This they are now in great danger of doing, and they have been given plain warning. So long as the source of Ireland's troubles could be any process of thought located in England, both sympathy and money could be got in the United States, but civil war in Ireland is different. No doubt there are in the United States some advocates of an Irish republic, but the great body of public opinion there is in favor of the Irish Free State.

THE MILK SUPPLY.

The concluding letter of the series by Mr. J. F. Tilley on pasteurization of milk appears in today's Times. The authorities he cites ought to convince even the objectors. We may quote a few more. The New York Evening Journal, referring to the work of Nathan Strauss says—

"The work of Nathan Strauss is shown wherever pasteurized milk is used, and diseases of children thus diminished. The use of pasteurized milk, once sneered at by the milk companies, is now advertised by them as their greatest asset; once combatted by the doctors it is now hurriedly resorted to by them in every emergency."

An investigation in London revealed the fact that 12.2 per cent. of 1,217 samples of the city's milk supply were tuberculous, and Dr. Alfred F. Hess wrote a dozen years ago—

"Among scientific men, save the few who in 1901 committed themselves to a hasty assumption, no one now (in 1909), doubts the transmission of bovine tuberculosis through the raw products of diseased animals to human beings. Nor does anyone unless committed to some pet error dispute the efficacy of pasteurization in killing the infection, rendering the milk safe, and in no way impairing its food qualities."

Dr. Jacobs, the dean of the American medical profession, says—"Use no raw milk. Give the babies no milk except pasteurized, and they will be fairly safe, for you have removed from them a cause of tuberculosis, typhoid, scarlet fever, diphtheria, septic sore throat and some of the summer complaints that slay so many."

Dr. Hastings, Canada's notable milk expert, says—"If the truth were known, fifty per cent. of the babies which have died could quite fittingly have this epitaph over their graves—Poisoned by drinking impure milk. Pasteurization would have saved them."

During the medical congress in St. John in June this question of a pure milk supply will be discussed by competent authorities in such a manner as will no doubt have a profound influence upon public sentiment. Neither unfounded prejudice nor mercenary consideration should prevail in a matter of such vital importance to the public health.

BIRDS AND INSECTS

The United States Board of Agriculture will conduct a campaign of education to arouse public interest in the task of destroying insect pests which are destructive to crops. The amazing estimate of an annual loss of \$1,500,000,000 through insects which feed on farm products reveals the necessity for such action. Attention is frequently directed to the aid given by certain species of birds, which feed on insects. To destroy such birds is to enable the destructive insects to multiply and do greater damage. The Montreal Gazette says—

"Seriousness of insects in regard to crop spoliation is gauged by the expert opinion that it will take years—perhaps a century—to win success over their wiles. The predatory law of nature is notorious throughout the animal kingdom. The Dominion Entomologist stated a few days ago that the annual loss in field, orchard and garden crops due to destructive insects is more than \$200,000,000, so that this fact alone should emphasize the importance of the relationship of birds, to agriculture. The maintenance of a plentiful supply of useful Canadian birds, therefore, becomes more and more an apparent necessity."

At this time of year the schools, and especially these in the country, should spread information regarding the species of birds which are helpful to the farmers, so that they may be protected. The Natural History Society in St. John has done good work in this direction, and more and more of the schools should avail themselves of the knowledge placed at their disposal.

EASTER IN LONDON

London, April 17—(Canadian Press)—The Easter holiday season in London has been attended by uncertain weather with intermittent sunshine and rain. While thousands of Londoners made haste from the great city to the country, the seaside and even to the continent, there was on the other hand a considerable influx of folk inward from the big towns of the north of England. Some of the hotels have done quite good business during the holiday. The recent reduction in their tariff doubtless helped to this end.

As usual there was an immense congregation at St. Paul's where Dean Inge was the preacher. The services at Westminster Abbey, at the Temple Church at Southwark Cathedral, and the Westminster Cathedral were also thronged.

FUNERAL OF "POP" ANSON.

Chicago, April 17—The body of Adrian C. Anson will be buried here today in Oakwoods graveyard in the presence of members of his family and with a marked simplicity. Final tribute was paid by his friends who attended funeral services yesterday at which Commissioner Landis delivered the eulogy. The body of Mrs. Anson, now buried in Philadelphia, will be brought here and interred at his side.

LIGHTER VEIN.

Not Contagious.

A candidate for municipal honors irritated by the groans and unfriendly remarks with which he was received at one of his first meetings, exclaimed furiously: "I don't care what you say; you have got to have me whether you like or not."

"Why, gov'nor," inquired a placid individual at the back of the hall, "you ain't the blessed meales, are you?"

Something, Anyhow.

A countryman called at the offices of a fire insurance company and intimated that he desired to insure his shop and household effects.

"What facilities for extinguishing a fire have you in your village?" inquired the official.

The man scratched his head, pondered for a moment, and then answered: "Well, only the rain!"

LOCAL NEWS

THE LUCKY ONE.

Joseph Harding of the Unique Theatre staff was the lucky gypsy of the big Easter novelty egg at Diana Sweets on Saturday.

Private Hospital, 98 Wentworth. M. 25892-4-24 3165.

Easter tea and sale of the Royal Arms Chapter, at the residence of Mrs. E. F. Stevenson, 111 Orange street, Wednesday afternoon, April 19. 25893-4-19

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HYDRO-McLELLAN WARD COMMITTEES. All committees and those willing to work on committees are requested to attend a special meeting (this Easter Monday) evening, at 8 o'clock, in the Charlotte street headquarters.

SEMENOFF IMMUNE. District Attorney Says U. S. Courts Cannot Try Cossack General.

New York, April 17—The federal courts, the state courts or the military courts of the United States army cannot try General Semenov for murder committed in Siberia, Federal District Attorney Hayward informed Senator Borah by telegraph last night.

"If the army of Semenov was recognized at the time the murder was committed, the appeal would have been to his military superiors there."

U. S. RULE THAT AFFECTS CANADA. Washington, April 17—(Canadian Press)—Under an amendment put into the resolution by the senate Saturday extending for two years the three per cent immigration act, the period of time in which aliens must live in Canada, Mexico or Cuba before being eligible for entry into the United States, is made five years instead of one year. It was charged on the floor of the senate that large colonies are being formed in Canada, Mexico and Cuba with the idea that they will enter the U. S. after one year's residence in contiguous territory.

LORD AND LADY BYNG PAY VISIT TO LONDON, ONT. London, Ont., April 17—London extended a hearty welcome to Lord and Lady Byng on Saturday, on their first visit to the city.

His Excellency reviewed the war veterans, and at the new site for the Western University turned the first sod for the buildings. On Saturday night his train was moved into its country where on account of Lady Byng's health a quiet Sunday was passed.

ELECTION CARDS

SANDY CORBET'S PLATFORM. This is specially directed to the voters of the city.

Do you realize that by civic distribution of the hydro there will be spent in this city in the immediate future about \$800,000 to install the hydro system.

To wives this means that work will be available for their husbands; that such work will go far to lift the depression in their homes.

To clerks and others this means that business will increase, and the general trend of affairs will be upwards.

To the city it means that \$800,000 will circulate and remain here.

Do not be deceived—your representatives should be those candidates who have maintained the policy of Civic Control first, last and always. During the winter we were treated to the foppery style. Now we are witnessing the foppery style.

ELECTION CARD.

Electors of St. John.—I regard the opinion as expressed by the citizens at the polls on the 10th inst. as decisive so far as it indicates the feelings of the electors in respect to the city acquiring and distributing the electrical energy from the Musquash development.

Holding this view, I am now prepared to vote for the city to take power from the New Brunswick Electric Power Commission and will support civic distribution of such energy in order to give the citizens light, heat and power at the lowest possible rates.

Like many other citizens, I presume, who have given serious consideration to this matter I have experienced much anxiety in my endeavors to find a solution of the difficulties which I encountered and which I had confidently hoped might be smoothed away when the engineers, who were employed to study and report, presented their findings. Unfortunately these reports were of so conflicting a character that I found it impossible to reach a conclusion sooner.

The citizens have spoken their minds in this matter, and as their servant and representative I am bound to respect their wishes and am ready to accept the results.

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SHIPPING

ALMANAC FOR ST. JOHN, APR. 17.

A.M. P.M.
High Tide... 8.40 Low Tide... 10.22

PORT OF ST. JOHN

Sailed Saturday.

Schr Lucia P Dow, 891, Wasson, for Barbados.

Schr Melita, 8526, Perry, for Antwerp via Southampton and Havre.

Schr Mary, 1266, Goodman, for New York.

Schr Cornish Point, 2706, Carter, for Constantinople via New York.

Schr Svartfjord, 1292, Thorsen, for Havana.

Sailed Yesterday.

Schr Lord Antrim, 2754, Jarvis, for Belfast.

MARINE NOTES.

The French liner Yaudin arrived in port this morning from Philadelphia. She is at berth No. 16, where she will load for Bordeaux.

The Furness liner Cornish Point sailed at 2.15 Sunday morning for Constantinople via New York.

The R. M. S. P. Chaleur was expected to sail this evening for the West Indies via Halifax.

The New Zealand line steamer Otarua is expected to sail today for New Zealand Australia via New York. She has a general cargo.

The C. G. M. M. steamer Canadian Conqueror was reported off Sable Island last night and is expected in port here this evening. She is from Liverpool.

The C. P. liner Cornish Point is expected to sail some time today for London.

The steamer Svartfjord is expected to sail today with a cargo of potatoes.

The schooner Harriett B. cleared today for New York. She will probably sail some time today.

The C. P. liner Cornish Point sailed today for Constantinople via New York.

The Mary sailed Saturday for New York in ballast. She recently arrived here with a cargo of sugar.

The schooner Lucia P. Dow sailed on Saturday afternoon for Barbados with a large general cargo. She was compelled to anchor off the island yesterday on account of weather conditions.

The schooner Seneca is due here today from Baltimore with a cargo of fertilizer.

The Manchester Corporation arrived from London on Saturday to McLeod's wharf to complete loading for Manchester.

The Kwara arrived at Cape Town from this port on April 11.

The Scotia arrived at Halifax yesterday from Liverpool.

The Empress of Britain is due tomorrow from Liverpool with 281 cabin, 138 second and 497 steerage passengers, 2,085 tons of cargo and 1,407 bags of mail.

The Drant County will sail tomorrow for Philadelphia to load grain for Hamburg.

She is taking cargo from St. John for Havre. This will be the last sailing of the season of the Canada S. S. lines from St. John.

The Lord Antrim sailed early yesterday for Belfast.

The Canadian Pacific liner Melita sailed on Saturday evening for Antwerp via Southampton on her last trip of the present season from St. John. The Melita will ply between Antwerp and Montreal during the summer season. She carried 200 cabin and 218 third-class passengers.

A FINE RECORD

Capt. F. M. W. Harvey, V. C., M. C., and Cross de Guerre of Ottawa sailed on the Canadian Pacific "Melita" from St. John on Saturday. Captain Harvey is going to England to take a course at the Army Physical Training School, Aldershot.

The Victoria Cross was won by Captain Harvey for most conspicuous bravery and devotion to duty during an attack by his regiment on a village. A party of the enemy rushed forward through a wire fence just in front of the village, operating rapid rifle and machine gun fire at a very close range, inflicting heavy casualties. At this critical moment when the enemy showed no intention whatever of retreating and the fire was still intense, Lieut. Harvey ran forward well ahead of his men and jumped the wire fence into the enemy trench, still fully manned, shooting the machine gunner and capturing the gun. This most courageous act had a decisive effect on the success of the operation.

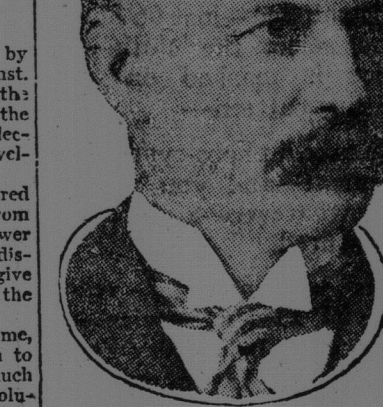
He won his Military Cross "for conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in an attack. By his fearlessness he overcame the resistance of the enemy, although the latter were in greatly superior numbers. He engaged many of the enemy single-handed and although wounded and suffering from a considerable loss of blood continued to fight his way forward until he effected a junction with another mounted party, thus contributing in a great degree to the success of the attack."

LOOKS FOR BUMPER CROP.

Hon. G. H. Malcolm, minister of agriculture for Manitoba, who says that Manitoba should have abundant crops this year, with about 600,000 acres more under cultivation than in 1921.

Call With Five Legs.

Parts, April 17.—At L'Orient the birth of a calf with five legs and feet is reported, two in front and three behind. The outside hind legs are small and are used by the animal only in rising.



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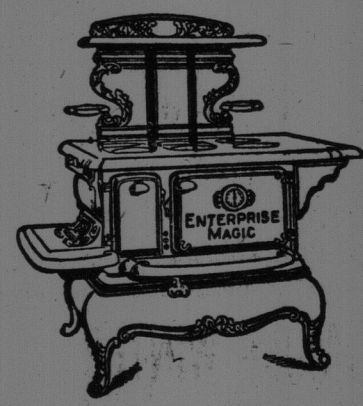


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With the continued increase in the use of motor cars, it is claimed, it will only be a short time until the present streets will have to be widened to accommodate the traffic, the cost of which would far exceed the necessary outlay for the elevation of the sidewalks as proposed. Motorists think very highly of the idea, in fact urge its adoption.

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