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RAILWAY PERCENTAGES ALLOWED TO DRAG ON

Board of Control Rejects Resolution to Have Writ Issued Against T. S. R.-Half-Million Dollars Now Due -Heated Debate-Mayor Threatens Solicitor-Question of Company's Ability to Pay-Council Will Decide the Matter.

After an hour of heated debate the summer. He had reason to believe board of control yesterday rejected that the mayor made no personal ef-Mayor Church's motion to have a writ fort to collect the percentages until fort to collect the percentages until issued thru the city solicitor, against Aug. 10. "I am not going to approve the Toronto Street Railway in an ef- of anyone giving interviews putting the Toronto Street Railway in an er- of anyone giving interviews patients fort to collect the percentages of the blame for delay on me in an ef-fort to put himself in a better light," months, and totaling about half fa guire supported the mayor's motion, and Controllers Ramsden and Gib-bons voted against it. Controller Cam-continuing, Controller Gibbons said, the declared.

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Controller Gibbons then moved that the mayor and the finance commis-the mayor and the finance commis-the mayor and the finance commis-Controller Gibbons then moved that the mayor and the finance commis-sioner be given power to take any action they should consider advisable to collect the percentages and at the same time not interfere with the operation of the street railway service, I would vote for it, but we have Mr. Ross' report which indicates that it might be necessary for the railway board to step in and operate the road, and if that happened there would be no certainty of the city ever re-covering the percentages."

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council without any recommendation. Opinion at the city hall takes the view Opinion at the city hall takes the view that the question of percentages will now be allowed to drag along until the franchise expires ten months hence when they will be held out of the moneys to be paid to the company by the city for the system. Tried to Suppress Report. A big factor in yesterday's decision was a report prepared by Finance Commissioner Ross on the finances of the T. S. R. This report was to the effect that the company could not pay

was a report prepared by Finance Commissioner Ross on the finances of the T. S. R. This report was to the effect that the company could not pay the percentages and continue to pay wages and meet other obligations. The was prepared after the com-sired to maintain the street cor cor report was prepared after the com-missioner had examined the books of vice. The question to be decided was report was prepared after the colling shreet to maintain the shreet coll set of the street to the street coll set of the sement of the company. It was the evident in-tention of Mayor Church to keep this report under cover, but the purport of it leaked out. After the evening papers on Tuesday had published brief summaries of it, Mayor Church issued a statement to the morning papers that the evening stories were false and that no such report had been pre-sented by the commissioner. It devel-that Commissioner Ross had reported as stated and that the press sum-maries were correct. Commissioner Ross declared that he had not dis-troller Maguire expressed regret that it had been published. "They put a dagger in the city's were the comment of the street to the mayor.

our percentages to meet wage obliga-tions," said Controller Cameron, "and I will not vote for the motion." Controller Gibbons said that with all the facts before them he was prepar-ed to give the mayor power to take any action he deemed advisable. But the mayor replied that the controller would have to share the responsibility. troller Maguire expressed region troller Maguire expressed region troller Maguire expressed region troller Maguire expressed region the facts before mayor power to take "They put a dagger in the city's "After some discussion the board de-cided not to make public the whole report, but Controller Ramsden re-marked that if any member of council asked for it at the next meeting of council it would have to be made pub-lin. The discussion, Mayor was able to finance itself by the mayor council it would have to be made pub-the mayor replied that the controller marked that if any member of council the mayor replied that the controller marked that if any member of council the mayor replied that the controller marked for it at the next meeting of council it would have to be made pub-the discussion, Mayor was able to finance itself by the mayor company was able to finance itself by applying to the banks. Controller Ramsden: "You know Mr. Ross has been trying to find out whether the railway company has the provide the tack so as to the the mayor replied that the controller tory condition I have indicated so far as human beings are concerned, ignoring that which is written, 'How much is a man retter than a sheep?"

THE TORONTO WORLD

BUILDING OF CHUR CH NOW ASSURED.



sicture shows what the new Riverdale Presbyterian Church will look like when it is erected, on the con and Harcourt avenues, the congregation having decided to undertake the work. For some time the project has been held back, altho excavation work was finished, but there is now assurance of funds. The building will cover 100 square feet, with the main entrance on Harcourt avenue. The seating capacity will be 1400 and the cost approximately \$150,000. Rev. L. I., Hunter is pastor.



Lack of Accommodation in Toronto High Schools

Makes Step Inevitable:

York county pupils may be excluded

from Toronto high schools after

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THURSDAY MORNING OCTOBER 28 1920

CALL CONFERENCE ON EARLY CLOSING BYLAW

Board of Control Will Hear All Parties Concerned-Mayor Criticizes Curry Amendment-Soldiers Ask Tax Exemption on Club Rooms-Complaint People Suffering Loss Thru Delay Over Viaduct.

The board of control decided to call a conference for next Wednesday of all parties concerned in the early motion, which had been on the order all parties concerned in the early motion, which had been on the order closing bylaw for the purposes of dis-cussing alleged weaknesses of the by-law. The mayor said there was no doubt that the Curry amendment had made a farce of the bylaw. \$1.50 each had been selected by those promoting the idea, and a test had shown the light to be entirely satis-factory. The board will withhold its decision in the matter until next

add that the contry and the rest in the second to rest the rest in Wednesday prepared to reduce the rent up to the amount of the exemption. The commissioner had reported that what was being done about the sug-gestion made recently by the Toronto Housing Company, that they be given

the city had no power to grant exemption. In spite of this Controller Mation. In spite of this controller the quire made a plea that something be done to meet their wishes. He urged council to make a grant equal to the Members of the board did not seem

to favor the scheme, but con Controller Cameron said it was to have a conference with the houseasy to talk about helping everyone, and everything when the law said it could not be done. Mayor Church suggested getting legislation permit-ting the city to exempt soldiers' club rooms from taxation. The board de-cided to ask for a report from the ing company next Wednesday. Residents of Pendrith avenue asked the city to start a court action to force the removal of gasoline tanks from the rear of 61 Pendrith avenue, because of the danger of a to force the removal cided to ask for a report from the solicitor as to whether a grant could possible explosion. A dry cleaning plant at this address was shown to be made equal to the taxes. be a violation of the residential

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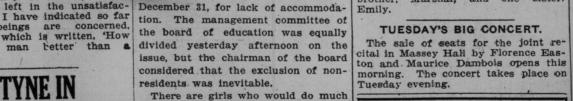
the city solicitor for a report. presenting the Ward 7 Ratepayers' Association urged that as the pavement

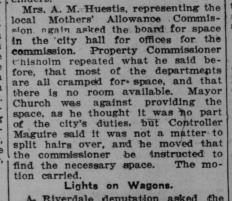
ordered for Bloor street, from Quebec to Jane streets, would probably not be laid before next spring a coat of cinders should be put on at once to make the street passable for wheel traffic. One member of the deputation said the chief difficulty was in getting baby carriages thru-the mud. The board decided to recommend the laying of a temporary walk, either of board or chief difficulty was in getting baby

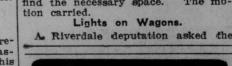
cinders. Mrs. A. M. Huestis, representing the

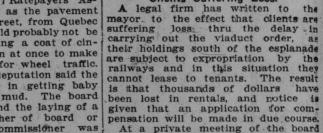
Since his return in 1919 Lieut. Ferguson had been in the sanitarium with tuberculosis and suffering from

the wound in the knee. It was due to neglect while a prisoner that he contracted tuberculosis. Altho in hospital since 1919, he had only been allowed to come home a week ago. Born in Woodbridge, he was educat-ed at high school and was attending there prior to his enlistment. Sur-viving are his father and mother, Rev. and Mrs. J. Ferguson, one brother, Marshal, and one sister, Emily.









cinders,' and the commissioner was instructed to bring in a report on the cost of covering the roadway with was agreed to give the commission

the same powers over motor bus and subway traffic that it now has over surface transportation.

Mrs. Ald. Hamilton wanted to know

power to erect more houses for rent-ing on city property, and that the

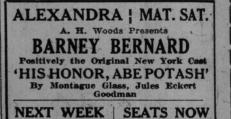
law, and the matter was referred to

Clients Suffering Loss.

The result

DAMAGE CLAIM FAILS. According to a judgment issued by

the appellate division at Osgode Hall yesterday, Mrs. George Fuller, of Niagara Falls, Ont., cannot obtain any of the \$3,000 damages she claimed from the Corporation of Niagara Falls because she injured her kneecap as the result of a fall on an even road.



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