

FORTY-FOURTH YEAR

GRANT IS MADE TO CATHOLICS FOR A CEMETERY

Ten Acres Will be Added to St. Joseph's by the Authorities.

COUNCIL REPORTS

Finance Committee Recommends a Purchase and Storage Department.

Evidently several of the City Council committees have been doing some work recently, as their reports submitted at last night's meeting indicated that attention had been given to several important matters.

Railway Inventory.

Chairman Charlton submitted the following report of the railway committee:

"That by the consent of the chairman of finance your committee obtained the aid of Mr. James Watt, one of the city assessors, and also secured the services of Mr. James Lowe, to make an inventory of the personal property of the Grand Valley Railway."

"These gentlemen are making a careful inventory and expect to have their report ready at the next meeting of this Council."

In commenting on the inventory of the Grand Valley, Ald. Charlton said a lot of things had already been discovered which no one ever dreamed were in the concern.

Finance Committee.

Many important recommendations were contained in the report of the finance committee presented to the City Council at its meeting last night, but evidently they all met with the approval of the aldermen, for the report was adopted with but little explanation from Ald. Hollinrake, the finance chairman, and without any discussion on the part of the other members. The recommendations, which speak for themselves, follow:

"That a grant of \$25 be made from this city towards the Carter Centenary."

"That the account of the sanitarium amounting to \$690.31 be paid. This committee would point out, however, that the agreement has not been executed in connection with the sanitarium, and that before any further money is paid the agreement must be executed, and all accounts must be certified to and presented to the city in proper time."

"That, as the Bell Memorial celebration will likely take place some time during the year 1915, the communication re Canadian Peace Centenary be referred to the Bell Memorial Committee, and that the Council of 1915 should act in conjunction with the Bell Memorial Committee in this regard."

"That when the Children's Aid Society gives assurances satisfactory to the city solicitor that no salary will be required from the city for the judge of the children's court, this Council will take the necessary steps with the Attorney-General's department to have a judge of the children's court appointed."

"That in view of the fact that the request of J. B. Holt has been dealt with re the court of revision, the Council cannot legally do anything in the matter."

"That the letter of the Toronto General Hospital, re Nicola Soldat, be referred to the city solicitor."

"That the payment of \$100 without prejudice be made in settlement of the Queen Alexandra Sanitarium re Cooper."

"That this Council authorize the appointment of a purchasing agent and storekeeper."

"That the finance committee, along with the chairman of the standing committee, be empowered to consider the question of the appointment of a permanent auditor of the city."

"That the usual grant of \$900 be made to the Children's Aid Society, and that \$200 be paid forthwith."

Grant for Catholic Cemetery

The committee on buildings and grounds reported as follows:

"That the Widow's Home be given a full lot in Mt. Hope cemetery free of charge for their own burial."

"That whereas the trustees of St. Joseph's cemetery committee have applied to the city council for assistance in the purchasing of some land for their cemetery, in view of the fact that both the present public

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DIVERGENT VIEWS EXPRESSED ON THE HOME RULE OFFER

King George Said to be Exerting Influence in the Matter.

CARSON TAKES STAND

Redmond's Followers Are Giving Him Heaps of Trouble.

[By Special Wire to The Courier] LONDON, March 10.—The possibility of a settlement of the Irish Home Rule controversy was again today in the forefront of popular interest. The opinions of the various parties as to the effect of the concessions offered in the House of Commons yesterday by Premier Asquith differed widely. The Unionists as a rule expressed themselves quite unsatisfied with the suggested method of voting by counties on the exclusion of Ulster, or portions of it from the operation of the Home Rule bill. Nationalists on the other hand declared that the cabinet had gone to the most extreme limit in its movement toward conciliation. The independent opinion of the country seems inclined to the feeling that the concessions really offer an opportunity for conciliation and this feeling is strengthened by Sir Edward Carson's counter offer on behalf of the Ulster Unionists to submit the suggested concessions to a Ulster conference providing the limitation on the exclusion of the northern counties to a period of six years be struck out.

It is pointed out here in parliamentary circles that the recognition by the cabinet and the Nationalists of the principle of the exclusion of the counties of Ulster if they vote in favor of it, even if the exclusion is only temporary is a great step in advance from the cabinet's policy of "juggling steam ahead."

This attitude of the cabinet and the Irish Nationalists, it is argued, allows for negotiations during the three weeks for which the debate on the Home Rule Bill has been adjourned. King George is believed to have had a hand in inducing Premier Asquith to make the proffered concessions and it is contended that if His Majesty continues his activity in this respect, the two parties may be enabled to bridge over the differences separating them.

The stumbling blocks in the way of a settlement of the Irish question are the "die hard" Unionists who want a general election at any cost in the hope of defeating the government and there are also the Nationalists who follow William O'Brien who are opposed to any kind of concessions being granted to Ulster. It is very doubtful whether John Redmond, the Irish Nationalist leader can carry the members of his party any farther than they have already consented to go in the way of placating the Ulster Unionists.

Lord MacDonnell, a Liberal peer, who was permanent under secretary for Ireland from 1902 to 1910, said today that the government proposals seemed to furnish a basis for settlement, while Lord Dunraven, a Conservative Irish peer expressed doubt whether Premier Asquith's offer would bring about a satisfactory solution.

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Received Six Months. Frank Clouse was yesterday afternoon convicted on the charge of stealing a gold watch belonging to Mary McCummins, and valued at \$25. For the offence he was sentenced to six months imprisonment by Judge Hardy at the Court House.

Mourn the Loss. Mr. and Mrs. H. Arthur sustained the sad loss of their infant daughter, Nellie Violet, yesterday at their residence, 320 St. Paul Avenue. The funeral will take place this afternoon to Mount Hope cemetery when the Rev. Mr. Wright will officiate.

Population Blank Here. The population form which the department of Education requires every year giving the population and number of school attendants, etc., is in the hands of the City Clerk and will be filled out.

Commemoration For Mr. Brewster, M.P. At the City Council last night the following resolution, presented by Ald. Hollinrake and Robinson, was carried unanimously:

"That this Council place on record its unequivocal and hearty support of the bill that is about to be brought before the Ontario Legislature by W. S. Brewster, providing for the cancellation of the charter of the Brantford Gas Company; that this Council believes that Mr. Brewster's active insistence of the rights of the people of this community should commend itself to all; that the thanks of the Council be extended to Mr. Brewster for the manner in which he is guarding the interests of the people of this city against the unwarrantable injustice that has been and is now being perpetrated by the Brantford Gas Company; that a copy of the resolution be forwarded to Mr. Brewster."

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SUFFRAGETTES AT RAILWAY DEPOT READY TO FIGHT

But Mrs. Pankhurst Was Spirited Away by the Police.

A BARB WIRE MEETING

May Richardson Smashes a Very Expensive Picture.

[By Special Wire to The Courier] GLASGOW, Scotland, March 10.—Bands of determined militant suffragettes waited at all the railway stations in Glasgow to-day in readiness to fight for the rescue of Mrs. Emmeline Pankhurst. The militant leader, however, who had been arrested under dramatic circumstances, while speaking in St. Andrew's Hall last night was removed by policemen from the station house to a suburban railway station early in the morning in order to avoid the attentions of her supporters.

Mrs. Pankhurst was carried from the cell to a waiting automobile on a stretcher and the motor car then dashed off at high speed to a station on the main line of the railway, where she was carried on board the express train for London. It is assumed that the militant leader will be placed in Holloway jail.

Many of the policemen who assisted in Mrs. Pankhurst's arrest last night suffered severe scratches from the barb wire which had been stretched in a network across the platform from which she was speaking.

On Picket Duty. LONDON, March 10.—Strong detachments of militant suffragettes today picketed every London railway terminus at which Mrs. Emmeline Pankhurst, their leader, was thought likely to arrive when she reached here from Scotland. Squads of suffragettes and their sympathizers were also stationed outside the entrances to Holloway jail.

Another Outrage. LONDON, March 10.—A militant suffragette inflicted severe damage today on the famous Velasquez picture known as the "Rokeby Venus," which is hung in the national gallery, Trafalgar square. The picture was purchased for \$225,000 in 1906 and presented to the nation.

The woman entered the gallery and attacked the picture with a sharp knife, making six or seven bad cuts across the principal part of the painting.

She was placed under arrest. The perpetrator of the outrage was the notorious militant suffragette, May Richardson, who has been sentenced to several terms of imprisonment since the beginning of the women's suffrage militant movement. It was she who was arrested at Bristol on July 4, last year, for dropping a scroll of paper on the knees of King George as he was driving through the city. After she had served 3 months' imprisonment she was arrested again in November on suspicion of burning a house at Hampton, but immediately started a hunger and thirst strike and was released a few weeks later in a serious condition of health.

The National Gallery was temporarily closed by the authorities after the outrage. Many of the public art collections, such as those at Hampton Court Palace and especially galleries, where valuable pictures are on exhibition, were closed a year ago on account of militant outrages and have not been opened since.

Miss Richardson, after her arrest, said: "I tried to destroy the picture of the most beautiful woman in mythological history as a protest against the government for destroying Mrs. Emmeline Pankhurst, who is the most beautiful character in modern history."

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A WIFE'S COMPLAINT

Richard Scott Was Fined \$25 and Costs in Liquor Case.

Mike O'Neil was ordered to receive five lashes at the police court to-day by Magistrate Livingston, for assaulting his wife. The parties had lived together at their home, 127 Albion street, for six years, and he periodically would assault her and batter her pretty badly. On the last occasion she complained to the police, and O'Neil promised to reform. He repeated the offence, however, and will have to take the lashes.

Although strongly protesting his innocence, Richard Scott was found guilty before the bench of supplying a billed man with liquor, and he suffered a fine of \$25 and costs. A certain billed man was found drunk. When taken to the police station he volunteered the name of the man who supplied and said he would pay his supplier's fine. Scott was the man he named, and when the latter was brought before the bench this morning he gave a total denial to the charge. Defendant said he could not work, but had means, and the Chief suspects that he made some money out of a side-line supplying billed men. Although he had known the informer all his life, he said he did not know he was billed. The billed man said that a week ago Saturday he met Scott in the city, and he gave him some liver in exchange for which he received a bottle. The Sunday following the look-up he went with Scott to his house, and there he got more whiskey upstairs. A witness named Carter testified that he had seen both men on Market street. He knew the billed man and identified Scott. Scott gave the lie to the statement, and said he had never supplied any liquor to any man. His protestations did not avail, and he will have to pay \$28.75 because he did not convince the magistrate that he was innocent.

Huerta Issues Call to Forces

MEXICO CITY, March 9.—The federal army was to-day ordered to take the offensive against the forces under the command of Venustiano Carranza, Provisional President Huerta sent to all the governors of the states and all army commanders by telegraph the following order: "To-day the federal government begins a campaign against the rebels of the north. To that end you will see the necessity that the troops under your command assume actively the offensive in order to bring to an end the present rebellion."

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The Apollo, Brant, Gem and Empire theatre proprietors petitioned for a reduction in the annual license fee which is at present \$300. It was said that the high fee was intended to keep the number of theatres down, but had not done so. In addition, the theatres paid a provincial tax of \$150. The license fee was out of all proportion to those paid in other larger cities.

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AN INSPECTOR TO VISIT THIS CITY TO INSPECT THE GAS

Word Received From Mr. Cockshutt by Mayor Spence Today.

THOROUGH INQUIRY

Opposing Views Re Sulphur Will be Investigated by Official.

Mr. W. F. Cockshutt, M.P., wired Mayor Spence to-day that A. B. Lambe, chief inspector of gas and electricity in the department of inland revenue, left this morning for Western Ontario, where he will make a thorough investigation of the natural gas situation, concerning which such strong representations were made to the department by a delegation of members last week.

"I have told Mr. Lambe to stay two weeks if necessary and to visit all the places that are affected," said Mr. Nantel last night.

It is almost certain that as a result of the investigation there will be some changes in the law affecting the distribution of natural gas, which is apparently not in shape to deal with existing conditions.

The natural gas companies operating in Essex, Kent and Lambton are not opposing changes in the act unless these should include compulsory purification of all gas, whether used for manufacturing, heating or illuminating. Their contention is that they have looked after their customers by providing individual purifiers, where the gas is used for lighting, and that in the three counties mentioned there is to-day no complaint.

The situation in Waterloo, Brant, Oxford and other counties to the east is different, since there the Tilbury gas was turned into the mains without warning, and before purifiers had been provided. The southwestern gas men contend that if purifiers were provided by the Dominion Gas Company in these places there would be no complaint. They characterize the promise of a purifier as a promise that cannot be kept. These are the opposing views out of which Mr. Lambe will seek the truth.

It is expected that legislation amending the act will be brought down this session.

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WOMEN WANT TO VOTE IN THIS CITY, BIG DEPUTATION

City Council Was Waited Upon Last Night by the Fair Sex.

NO BOMBS THROWN

Married Women Now Hold an Untenable Position They Say.

No, why be unkind? They were not militants, Pankhurstian or Emersonian. They carried no bombs and no weapons. They did not interrupt and were not interrupted. Last but not least they were not thrown out.

It was just a deputation from the Equal Franchise Club of Brantford which waited upon the City Council and asked that body to pass a resolution supporting legislation to give married women a vote municipally the same as that at present enjoyed by spinsters and widows. The deputation consisted of Mrs. S. W. Secord, President of the Brantford Equal Franchise Club, Mrs. G. L. Goodwin, Mrs. T. S. Wade, Mrs. W. C. Livingston, Mrs. C. Jackson, and Mrs. W. H. Hammond. These ladies were supported in their request by Messrs. A. W. Burt, Rev. G. A. Woodside, E. E. C. Kilmer and Lachey.

When all the speech-making was over Mayor Spence remembering the late Sir Oliver Mowat remarked in lively voice, "Ladies, we have been delighted with your presence here tonight. In the words of that august premier of this province, the late Sir Oliver Mowat, we will give your request our most prayerful consideration."

"It is not honor and kind words we want, but deeds," said Mrs. Secord, and the Mayor looked as if the spongy quality of his remarks had been lost on his audience. Later in the council proceedings a resolution virtually granting the request of the deputation was not put through but sent on to the finance committee to go through the first stage of "prayerful consideration." Later the question will come up again when the committee reports.

Aldermen who scarcely ever smile during stern civic business were simply wreathed in smiles as the deputation headed by the valiant Mrs. Secord entered the chamber. Some of the aldermen were prepared for what was coming others were not. The effect was surprising. One of the more innocent of the aldermen scanned carefully for concealed horse whips, fire torches and bombs, but there were none. The deputation smiled and the smiles instantaneously became unanimous. It was one of those pleasant little breaks in the municipal monotony appreciated all round. Even Janitor George Smith put on his proudest front and had a busy time for a few minutes seating the ladies. They were escorted to the lobby for a minute and later escorted to the chamber. Just fancy ladies holding forth in the lobby, the official smoking room of the aldermanic body; and they didn't mind it a bit.

However, once the mayor had outlined the nature of the visit it was not long before Mrs. Secord presented the Equal Franchise case to the council. And present it she did! All the aldermen could make a speech as convincing as that of Mrs. Secord and in such a direct way, Brantford's legislative body would be an ideal one. It wasn't a harangue which one reads about in the cable news, it wasn't an appeal to conscience nor was it a woman's appeal. It was a downright lawyer's case. Cold facts, incontrovertible, were laid bare and with such directness of speech, minus all frills, that a jury couldn't go wrong.

Mrs. Secord began by reading a letter from Franchise headquarters in Toronto, last January over 13,000 majority had been rolled up in favor of votes for married women. A bill would come up in the Provincial Legislature and to get it through the support of all municipalities would be helpful. Now was the time, said Mrs. Secord to emancipate married women from their untenable position. Hamilton's mayor in his inaugural speech supported the move. British Columbia, Alberta and Saskatchewan gave married women the vote. In Ontario 70 municipalities had approved of the legislation, then why not Brantford?

This city, noted for its progressive-ness should not be behind others, and Mrs. Secord asked the aldermen to instruct Mr. Brewster that their wish was to give married women the vote.

Applause greeted the speaker's remarks,