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CANDIDATES ARE STILL SCARCE FOR LOCAL MUNICIPAL OFFICES

Still Looks Like Stevely and Matthews for Mayor—Mr. Fred W. Darch Will Run Again for Water Commissioner—Other Possibilities for Office.

Candidates for municipal offices are not coming to the front very fast, and very few have yet declared their intentions of running for offices.

In spite of all that has been said there is no question that Mayor Stevely and ex-Ald. Matthews, who battled last January, will again come to the front.

The names of Mr. F. W. Darch has been prominently mentioned for the honor, but he will again seek the position of water commissioner, it is said.

No one has been named as his opponent, as yet.

Mr. Graham Mentioned.

Mr. C. M. R. Graham, chairman of the board of education, has ambitions for the mayoralty, his friends say, but it is most improbable that he will be the candidate this year. He has said that he would not run at the present time, and that he is likely to be the case. He will not run for the board of education, he announced also.

Hospital Trust.

Mr. S. S. Searson will complete his term as hospital trustee, and will again seek re-election, it was stated. He is deeply interested in the work of the hospital, and would like to have a couple of years more on the trust. The name of ex-Ald. Thomas Gillean was mentioned as a candidate for the office, but he has definitely stated that he will not run.

Water Commission.

As stated above, the term of Mr. F. W. Darch as water commissioner expires

in January, and he will again seek re-election.

Mr. William Jones, the present chairman, has indicated that he will retire at the end of the year, but it is thought probable that he will finish his term.

The Council.

For the council, a number of new aspirants are talked of. The latest names are those of Mr. Wm. Abbott, Mr. Henry Pocock and Mr. A. E. Barbour. The latter ran for the board of education last year, but was defeated by a small majority. It is understood that he is considering the council.

These in addition to Ald. Gerry, Stewart, Rose, Saunders, Moorhead, Armstrong, Stevenson, Parsons and Ferguson and ex-Ald. Cooper, John L. Flannigan, R. J. Woods, Ben Noble, T. F. Kingsmill, Jun., and Col. Colby, will make quite a field.

Board of Education.

Not one of the present five members of the board of education whose terms expire this year will seek re-election. Mr. W. C. Fitzgerald will retire, although he may yet run for the council.

Mr. E. J. MacRobert has not signified what he will do, but his close friends say that he will not run.

Mr. Thomas Granger is non-committal. Mr. C. M. R. Graham has said he would retire from public life, and Mr. Charles McCormick is busy on the hydro-electric commission and will retire.

Dr. H. A. Kingsmill is the only name mentioned as a possible candidate.

An Inspector for Barber Shops To Be Appointed by Government

Law Similar to That in Michigan Is Likely To Be Passed in Ontario.

An inspector of barber shops will be appointed by the Ontario Government, it is said, early in the next session.

For some time an agitation has been going on among barbers' unions to have all barber shops inspected as they are in Michigan and other states in the union.

In Michigan every barber must pass an examination, and be licensed by the state examining board. In addition inspectors are appointed in certain districts who must visit the shops, and report on the hygienic conditions prevailing.

The system to be introduced by the Ontario Government will be along somewhat the same lines, it is said.

SMALL BOYS IN RUNAWAY

Sons of Dr. McCallum Had an Exciting Experience Yesterday.

John and Archie McCallum, the little sons of Dr. H. A. McCallum, of Queen's avenue, had a close call from being seriously injured yesterday afternoon in a runaway accident that occurred at Pottersburg.

The boys, who are 3 and 4 years of age, had been taken out for a drive by the coachman.

A stop was made at Pottersburg and the boys were left alone in the buggy. The horse became frightened and started for the city on the gallop.

The rig swerved and bumped about considerably and the two boys were thrown out, but neither was seriously injured.

The horse continued its run until it reached the city, where it was captured and taken to the doctor's office.

RECOMMENDS THAT HE BE DEPORTED

But First He Must Put in Two Months in the Jail.

Two months in jail and a recommendation that he be deported after that time, was the manner in which William Charles Saville was disposed of when he faced Judge Macbeth today for sentence on two minor charges of theft.

Saville stole some blacksmith tools and a lap rug near Thorndale.

His honor stated that he had the prisoner been guilty of but one offense he might have been given another chance but he could not overlook two thefts.

The court also stated that Saville was the sixth man from the old country who had faced him within a few months, and that petty thieving of all kinds must be done away with.

"I don't mind the two months," said Saville, as he was being led away, "but I do not want to be deported. This is a fine country, and a man can earn a nice living here."

OPINION SEEMS TO BE DIVIDED

In Regard to Proposition to Reduce Licenses in London.

SOME UNIONISTS ARE OPPOSED

Bartenders and Cigarmakers Do Not Want to Adversely Affect Their Own Businesses.

The agitation on the part of the Trades and Labor Council to reduce the number of licenses is going to cause a great deal of discussion among the members of the different unions in the city.

Their action is not backed up by the whole body of union men in London, and a warm time is in prospect, it is stated.

The Bartenders' Union is naturally opposed to the reduction, as is also the Cigarmakers' Union.

The latter body is opposed to license reduction or local option, as it affects the sale of cigars.

The cigar business has suffered considerably in London through local option measures, and the great bulk of cigar union men prefer to have some open shops rather than have the business interfered with by local option agitators, which, they say, are liable to have a serious effect throughout the district surrounding London.

Several individual members have also signified their intention to oppose the move on the ground that the motive behind it is not good.

The Trouble.

The trouble dates a few months back, when a dispute arose at the works of the Carling Brewing and Malting Company over the question of the recognition of the union. A few brewery workers went on strike, and have remained out ever since. When the strike was declared, the Trades and Labor Council supported the strikers, and the output of the Carling brewery was put on the unfair list.

A number of the hotels in the city refused to accept the flat of the Trades and Labor Council, that the goods of the Carling Company should be discriminated against.

Cigars, Too.

At the same time there are a number of open cigar shops in the city. They for the most part employ union men, but they will not accept the label. The goods of these factories as well as Carling's goods were put on the unfair list.

The hotels were warned not to sell these goods.

Later communications warned them that if the goods were sold, the Trades and Labor Council would move to have the number of licenses reduced, or a vote on local option taken.

Want Licenses Reduced.

The hotel keepers refused to do as demanded, and now a request will be made to the city council to have the number of licenses reduced.

As stated above the bartenders' and the cigarmakers' unions will oppose the reduction, as inimical to their business.

In addition to this it is not probable that the Temperance League will unite with the Labor Council in asking for the reduction.

As was stated yesterday in The Advertiser, the temperance people do not intend to ask for a reduction in licenses.

Mr. McDermid Speaks.

"We have heard nothing about the matter," said Mr. D. A. McDermid, the secretary. "We saw something in the newspapers about it, but more than that we know nothing. We do not ask for license reduction out of the spirit of revenge. We are conscientious opponents of the liquor trade, and when we ask for any forward step to be taken on the question, we do so because we think the best interests of the citizens of London will be served by so doing. Of course I do not know what will be done. I know that we have not taken any steps yet to assist the Trades and Labor Council, and I do not know what they will. We have not taken any part whatever in the matter."

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LONDON OFFERED 30 CENT GAS PIPED FROM ROMNEY FIELDS

No. 2 Committee of the City Council Heard Another Proposition Last Night—The Company Would Be Ready for Business by January Next.

The gas franchise question was discussed last night at the special meeting of No. 2 committee.

The representatives of the company owning the Romney fields were heard, and they offered to bring gas to London for 30 cents a thousand.

Nothing was done, however, as Mr. F. G. Runball, president of the London and Western Counties Pipe Line Company, was unable to be present.

Another meeting of the committee will be held Monday afternoon next, when both concerns will be heard.

Mr. A. C. Munson, of Chicago, president of the Indiana Gas Company, which is exploiting the Romney and Tilbury fields, could not attend, but Mr. E. Mackay, of Leamington, and Mr. J. Wishart, of Chicago, appeared on his behalf.

Romney Gas.

Mr. Mackay first addressed the committee. He said he represented the company which owns the Romney and Tilbury gas fields. They have 10,000 acres of land under lease and have at the present time 30,000,000 feet of gas in sight. They are leasing more land all the time, and by January expect to have at least 50,000,000 feet of gas ready for distribution. He claimed that they have the largest wells in the country. One well alone produced 12,000,000 feet of gas, while another ran 7,500,000 feet.

An Explanation.

"This field must not be confused with the field that for many years supplied Windsor and Detroit," said Mr. (Continued on Page Two.)

Caterer Sues 7th Regiment Officers Echo of the Quebec Tercentenary

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LABOR WANTS LICENSES REDUCED WILL PETITION CITY COUNCIL

Move Made to Fight the Local Brewers and Hotelmen, Who It Is Alleged Have Been Discriminating Against Union-Made Goods in London.

The Trades and Labor Council will circulate a petition throughout the city asking that a vote be taken in January to reduce the number of liquor licenses in the city.

This decision was arrived at last evening at a well-attended meeting of the council. The matter was thoroughly discussed and the opinion that some move should be taken prevailed.

There has been trouble between the Labor people and the liquor men for some time.

It was thought that the unions were not receiving proper consideration at the hands of the hotelkeepers and breweries, and that union-made goods were discriminated against.

Not long ago a circular was sent to the hotelkeepers in the city asking them to show more consideration to union goods, or a move would be made to reduce the licenses. Only two hotelmen replied to these communications.

Local Option.

A large number of the members of the council last night were in favor of asking the city council to submit

a vote on local option, but it was pointed out that the time for the preparing for taking such a vote had elapsed, and the only thing that could be done now was to ask the city council to reduce the number of licenses.

This would materially assist the union men, it was thought, and would compel the hotelmen to treat the unions better. If it did not have the desired effect, they would next year ask for a vote on local option.

The petitions will be ready this week and will be circulated by union men throughout the city.

Relief for Unemployed.

The committee appointed to raise funds for the relief of the unemployed union men during the winter, reported that a considerable sum of money had already been raised, and that they intended raising more.

It was decided to put on a benefit concert in Bennett's Theatre soon for the same purpose.

Messrs. J. E. Secker and Charles Pearce were appointed a committee to arrange for a benefit dance to raise money for the same cause.

Hospital Buildings Cost \$75,000 Two Structures Being Erected

Some Months Before They Will Be Completed—Were Such Costly Ones Necessary?

At the present time buildings to cost \$125,000 are being erected on the grounds at Victoria Hospital.

Of this amount the citizens are paying nearly \$60,000 for the new isolation hospitals, about which there has been so much comment.

Of the remaining amount, \$50,000 is for the hygienic institute, and is paid by the Government, and the other \$15,000 is going into the new laundry and repairs at the Nurses' Home, for which the city must provide.

The New Hospitals.

The new isolation hospitals were designed by Architect Nutter, and the arrangement and general scheme of

the buildings are most attractive. The buildings themselves are elaborately finished.

Immediately to the west of the Nurses' Home at Victoria Hospital the building for the isolation of diphtheria patients has been erected.

The new hospital is a two-story structure, divided into two parts.

The front part will be known as the administration building, which contains offices and rooms for those who will be in charge.

Immediately behind are sixteen wards for the accommodation of diphtheria patients.

On the second story, immediately above the offices, are bedrooms and living-rooms for both the staff and the help.

Behind these again are sixteen more wards, making a total of 32 wards. In case of emergency it is estimated that 40 people could be accommodated in the building.

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Franco-German Relations Disturbed Over Teuton Deserters in Algeria

France Proposes Arbitration, but Germany Refuses to Accept.

Berlin, Nov. 5.—The relations between France and Germany are again disturbed through Germany's seeking through the French Government of the release of the Germans who deserted from the foreign legion at Casablanca, and additional satisfaction for an alleged assault made upon a subordinate official of the German consulate at that place.

The French Foreign Office wishes to submit the matter to arbitration, and

M. Jules Cambon, the French ambassador, is endeavoring to reach an agreement with the German Foreign Office to this end, but so far without success.

Several of last evening's papers took up the subject and declared that it is now necessary for Germany to insist upon her rights. The German Government made serious representations to France early in October, with reference to this affair, which was prior to the controversy which arose from the publication of the Emperor's interview, but the raising of the controversy in the newspapers yesterday is regarded by some of Chancellor's Von Buelow's critics as a device to divert public attention from the Emperor, and the chancellor to a foreign quarrel.

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St. Johns, Nfld., Nov. 4.—Latest returns from the Newfoundland election of Monday show that Sir Robert Bond, premier of Newfoundland, has carried only three seats of the 14 so far heard from. The other 11 return candidates voted against the Liberal party. It is favored by Sir Edward Morris, head of the People's party and a former member of Premier Bond's cabinet.

A Cunning Theft by a Small Boy

A small boy pulled off something original in petty thievery last night, and a Dundas street drug firm were the losers.

One of the partners was back in the dispensing room, and hearing the door open and close, he went to the front. He saw standing at the door a mischievous-looking lad, who had opened and closed the door, keeping on the outside.

He did not think anything of it and went back to his work. In a minute or so he again heard the door open, and close, as before, and he went to see

the customer. The youngster was still there.

This was repeated once or twice, and the druggist was fooled in each instance. He warned the boy away and went back to his dispensing.

In a short time he again heard the door open, and thinking the youngster was still up to his old tricks, he did not bother going to the front.

Shortly afterwards he had occasion to go into the shop, and on investigating discovered that two dozen ten-cent bottles of perfume had disappeared from the counter.

He has an idea that the boy knows who got the perfume.

Gang of Bank Robbers Were Beaten Off

Montreal, Nov. 4.—The branch of the Eastern Townships Bank at Marieville, Que., was entered by robbers last night, but they were beaten off. The noise of their entry aroused two clerks sleeping in the rear of the building, and hastily dressing, they took up arms and entered the room where the bur-

glars were at work. The miscreants fired at them, and an exchange of shots followed. A bullet grazed the head of one clerk, but his condition is not serious. The bandits then fled without any booty being secured. They are being pursued by Chief McCaskill of the provincial police and his assistants.