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city would receive no recompense. The policy of restricting the erection of houses to those already built and the acquisition by the city of all lots not built upon was then adopted. Under this the renewal of leases for the unimproved portions of lessees' holdings was refused, notably in the case of lots on the west coast of the Island. A third proposition, which has never been accepted by the council, is the maintenance of the Island as a park and place of summer resort and residence, reserving only so much of the property as would be necessary for the requirements of the citizens generally for park purposes, and utilizing the balance for residential and other purposes.

THE ENDS IN VIEW.

The City Commissioner reported that 146 loads of coal had been weight on the city scales by the Coal Inspector during November. Of this number 30 loads were under weight to the total extent of 925 pounds; and 78 were above weight, 2030 pounds; 38 loads were correct.

Tenders were opened for the lease of the slaughter house, at the Western cattle market. The highest being that of Frank Hunnisett, who offered \$610 the property as would be necessary for the requirements of the citizens generally for park purposes, and utilizing the balance for Tesidential and other purposes.

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they expire and the placing of the unleased lands on the market as the demand may arise and the consequent abolition of the "ground landlordism" which the city's tenants have enjoyed, the placing of the Island as a whole under the management of one committee; the expenditure of public money on the Island with a view to beautifying the Island generally, instead of confining it to the Centre Island Park as formerly, and the enlargement and extension of the interior waterways of the Island, are pointed out as the chairman's policy for the future management of the Island. Finally, that another matter absolutely necessary to the full enjoyment of our rich Island heritage is a systematic and cheap transit from one part of the Island to the other and from the main-land.

The committee decided to hold a special meeting on Tuesday next to consider the Solicitor's report and the chairman's message.

BOTH WANTED THE LOT. An offer from W. J. Woods to lease the houses on the Island recently taken over from him under the arbi-tration at \$550 for the year 1897 was

The Property Committee spent upwards of two hours yesterday afternoon in discussing various matters in connection with the city property. The chief business before the committee was a report from Assistant Solicitor Drayton upon the position of the various Island leases. From the report it appeared that leases for 3489 feet have been renewed at a total rental of \$2467.41. Renewals have been offered by the city but refused by the lessees, whose interests have not yet been acquired by the city, for 1832 feet to refer the control of the contro

renment.

Before any further action is taken it would, in Lord Lansdowne's opinion, be desirable to ascertain whether the proposals may be taken as representing the wishes of the Canadian people generally, and whether the Canad an Government concur in the views set forth in the petition and would be prepared to give them practical support.

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MUNICIPAL NOMINATIONS

Pulpit of St. Enoch's.

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MUNICIPAL NOMINATIONS. The City Clerk yesterday posted the usual notices for the nominat on of Mayor and aldermen on Monday, 29th inst., and nominations will be held as follows:

For Mayor—City Hall, at 10 o'clock. For Aldermen and School Trustees

The name of ex-Ald. Miles Vokes was

freely mentioned as a candidate for the Mayoralty yesterday. To a World re-porter Mr. Vokes said that he had not thought of the matter at all, and his attention was too much engrossed with business to give it consideration just then.
Ald, Preston was also spoken of at the City Hall yesterday as a probable opponent of Mayor Fleming.

NOTES.

The City Engineer's Department is busy preparing the plans and estimates for the proposed bridge and approaches across the western channel of the harbor, and for constructing a railway track on the Island. The work will not be completed before Monday, and the Sunday Car Committee will be called for Tuesday.

The employes of the Street Commissioner's Department held their annual dinner last evening, and spent a most enjoyable time. NOTES.

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The Board of Control has been called for this afternoon at 3 o'clock, for the purpose of considering the tenders for a new telephone service and the establishment of a bureau for the unemplaced.

### AN ASTOUNDING PROPOSITION.

dustrial Schools Board Wants the Go ernment to Place Boys in Penal Servi-tude to Pill Their Institution.

The Industrial Schools Board made

What to buy for the children is usually one of the most perplexing questions at this season of the year, and thousands of ladies tire themselves out and make Christmas shopping a labor instead of a pleasure, where if they were to consider a moment where, for instance, toys, novelties and games are made a specialty of, and where the staff is trained up to their business and can instantly suggest hundreds of suitable presents for all ages of children from the baby of a few months to the grown-up children of all ages, the tremendous strain of Christmas shopping would be eliminated. The Harold A. Wilson Company, 35 Kingstreet west, are specialists in supplying the wants of the children. Their establishment is a veritable fairyland, replete with thousands of new presents not to be obtained elsewhere, and the entire staff are trained to the business of suggesting what is most suitable for any age of child, and you can buy for the whole family there most satisfactorily and without the mental strain and loss of time that you would have in purchasing elsewhere for one child. For purchasers out of town the Wilson Company issue a review of Christmas toys, novelties and winter sports which will aid considerably in suggesting what is most seasonable.

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The Mayor yesterday received a communication from the Clerk of the Privy Council forwarding a despatch from the war Office the property when county as the purpose park for the use of the public.

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Judge Morson yesterday gave indement for \$10 in favor of the Woard of Trade v. Taylor for assessments. The defendant claimed that the gratuity fund of the Board of Trade is not registered under the In-surance Corporation Act.

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Spadina-avenue, William Parsons.
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Ward 6.—St. Mark's Hall, Dundasstreet and Brock-avenue, Samuel
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