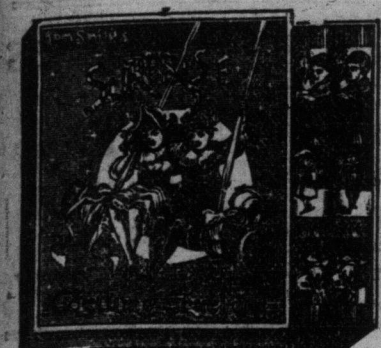


—A PULL
—A BANG
—A LITTLE GIFT
—PERHAPS A JEWEL
—OTHER AMUSING
—SURPRISE

—A PAPER HAT OR CAP
—A PUZZLE, OR SOME
—OTHER AMUSING
—SURPRISE



SUCH ARE

TOM SMITH'S

CRACKERS

—Some people

—Call Them

COSSAQUES

—Some people

—Call Them

BON BONS

Their one and only purpose is to provide amusement, and this they do—and do thoroughly. They decorate the Christmas table and the Christmas tree—are indispensable to the complete enjoyment of a children's party—and provide a fund of amusement at a dinner party of adults.

Three weeks ago we had 100 varieties of these popular mirth-producers—we cannot guarantee quite such a selection now—but it is still large—over 50 varieties at least—we have a few boxes containing only half-dozen Crackers—which in turn contain paper hats, caps and bonnets—these while they last we offer at 10c box.

The following all contain one dozen Crackers:

At 50c box—at Michie's—

Jewel Crackers—

same as the cut above—

Miniature Toy Crackers—

Father Christmas Surprise Crackers—

Somebody's Luggage—

Etc., Etc.

At 50c box—at Michie's—

Surprise Costume Crackers—

Little Flatters Crackers—

Nigger Character Crackers—

See-Saw Crackers—

Father Christmas Toy Crackers—

At 50c, 60c, 80c and 10c box—

A large assortment—

increasing in size and beauty.

At 10c box—at Michie's—

Empress of India Crackers—

Grammy's Gift Box Crackers—

Christmas Mail Crackers—

Etc., Etc.

At 80c, 90c and 100c box—

Several very handsome boxes—

from 10c to 30c—at Michie's—

Some exceptionally brilliant boxes—

for older children—and for dinner

parties and entertainments.

SANTA CLAUS'

READY

FILLED

SURPRISE

STOCKINGS

Available with Tom Smith's Crackers for popularity at Christmas time. They are made in transparent net of various colors and contain an assortment of Little Children's Toys, etc. In five sizes, from 10 cents to \$1.25 each.

—We have a

—Large Assortment of

CHRISTMAS TREE NOVELTIES

In confections—as well as Christmas Tree Candles—from 5c dozen—and Candles—Holders—Fancy Boxes for the Christmas Tree—from 25c dozen—Fancy Filled Baskets for the Christmas Tree—from 50c dozen.

C. C. C. C.

Michie's Cardinal Cream Chocolates—

filled into Fancy Boxes and Baskets—

make pretty little gifts in confections—a pretty little Basket for 15c—

A handsome Satin-Lined Wool Basket, nicely packed with "Cardinals"—

—\$2.00.

CADBURY'S

CELEBRATED

CHOCOLATE

CREAMS

In Fancy Boxes and Baskets—

from 40c dozen for the little Christmas Tree kind to \$5 for a handsome Satin-Lined Push-Box—an elegant and useful gift.

Michie's Special

Christmas Mixture

of pure Chocolate Creams and

Bonbons, for filling into fancy

packages. Special value at 20

cents a pound.

Michie's Best

Christmas Mixture

of assorted flavors—Chocolate

Creams and Bonbons, 25

cents a pound.

MICHIE & CO.

TWO STORES:

54 and 7 King St. West.

466 and 468 Spadina Ave.

Westminster.

POLICY FOR THE ISLAND.

Objects in View and How They Can Be Attained.

TO BEAUTIFY THE RESORT.

Proposal Made to Re-Establish the 100th Regimental Depot.

Petition of the Toronto City Council Favorably Received by the War Office Authorities in Britain—The New Municipal Buildings to Be Protected From Fire—Prospective Majority Candidates—News Items From the City Hall.

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 2489 feet have been renewed at a total rental of \$247.41. Renewals have been offered by the city but refused by the lessees, whose interests have not yet been acquired by purchase or arbitration 1066 feet and 15 buildings at a cost of \$23,460, of which one house has been sold and the 230 feet of land attached to it have been leased to the purchaser, leaving 1154 feet in the city's hands, with a total frontage of 735 feet. The vacant lands laid out for lease by the city and available for lease have a frontage of 2750 feet, but 1200 feet fronting on the lagoon cannot now be utilized, leaving 1554 feet that the city has on its hands available for leasing at present. This report will probably be further increased by the addition of more vacant property the leases for which will shortly expire.

Should the committee be of the opinion that rather than purchase any more property renewals should be offered to the lessees who have refused renewals at the city's offer for the whole of their present holdings and on similar covenants and provisions to those existing in the expired leases the Solicitor recommends that the lots in question be reported to council for renewal and a by-law be introduced for that purpose.

The Solicitor further reports that the only lease made this year have been three, which were effected by tender, and expresses doubt whether the public know that land can be obtained on application to the corporation. He expresses the opinion that it would be advantageous to place the property in the hands of a competent estate agent for disposal on terms to be fixed by the committee.

A COMPREHENSIVE POLICY. Chairman Burns also brought down a message expressing the opinion, based on experience, as to the best course to be followed in connection with the management of the island holdings. The first proposition accepted by the council in 1890 was the reclamation of the island of all property leased under the various leases laid in and the conversion of the whole island into a park. This plan, it was found, would entail a very large expenditure, for which the 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 policy of restriction, the city has improved 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 engaged for park purposes, and utilizing the balance for residential and other purposes.

THE ENDS IN VIEW. In dealing with island property the following are laid down as ends which Council should seek to obtain: 1. A suitable, commodious and well-equipped park for the use of the public. 2. An adequate revenue from the rents and taxes upon that portion of the property which could be advantageously leased.

3. The improvement of the island as a place of summer resort for tourists, excursionists, etc. These ends are to be attained by the acceptance of the third proposition above alluded to.

The chairman does not believe that the city should acquire one foot of the property or any houses whatever for general park and there are many acres of land now set apart for park purposes yet unimproved and unused, and many hundreds of acres of swamp land at reasonable cost be made fit for residential purposes.

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leased lands on the market as the

demand may arise and the consequent

abolition of the "ground landowners"

which the city's tenants have enjoyed,

the placing of the island as a whole

under the management of one commis-

sioner; the expenditure of public money

on the island with a view to beautify-

ing the island generally, instead of

confining it to the Centre Island Park

as formerly, and the enlargement and

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freely mentioned as a candidate for the Mayor's office yesterday. To a World reporter 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 employees of the Street Commissioner's Department held their annual dinner last evening, and spent an enjoyable time.

The Board of Control has been called for this afternoon at 2 o'clock for the purpose of considering the tenders for a new telephone service and the establishment of a bureau for the unemployed.

AN ASTOUNDING PROPOSITION.

Industrial Schools. Board Wants the Government to Place Boys in Penal Institutions to Fill Their Institutions.

The Industrial Schools Board made a somewhat astounding proposition to the Commissioner of Crown Lands yesterday. They asked that more or less than that such changes be made in the existing laws that the Industrial schools may be better assured of their full capacity of receiving and training the boys who are sent to them by the municipalities. The proposition gave rise to much discussion, and the Board of Control will be called for this afternoon at 2 o'clock for the purpose of considering the tenders for a new telephone service and the establishment of a bureau for the unemployed.

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