

NO PROVINCIAL BOARD TO ASSESS FRANCHISES

Hon. J. M. Gibson Told Legislative Committee That He Had Changed His Mind.

The Legislative Committee on Assessment continued its session yesterday, City Solicitor Doherty of St. Thomas added his protest against the proposed assessment law, urging that it was too complicated and indirect. He thought the simplest way would be to tax everything in sight. In St. Thomas they would either have to get more taxable property or raise the rate.

Mr. Gibson: Certainly, when a city goes into municipal ownership and operation of street railways they might expect an increased tax rate.

Mr. Doherty answered that they had been running the street railway for a year and had made it more than pay expenses.

The chairman, Hon. J. M. Gibson, said he was not as strongly in favor of a Provincial Board of Assessment as he had been, but thought the municipalities could probably attend to the assessment of real estate, railways and special franchises themselves. He cited an instance of special franchises, like power companies, who run along their own right of way. So far as the railways were concerned he would not take away from the municipalities any taxing power they had, but he thought the mileage rate of \$5 which railways paid to the province should be increased. He would, however, make a distinction in favor of railways running through unorganized districts. So far as public services, such as the telephone, the municipalities should take a percentage of their gross receipts and distribute the amount among themselves. Special franchises had been taxed already, some under contracts made with the companies, such as the Toronto Railway, and others like the Hamilton Railway had not been taxed because no dividend had been declared on the stock.

A communication was read from the City of Quebec, protesting against the proposed bill and saying it was worse than the old law, even with its anomalies.

The chairman observed that the letter was like a good deal of the criticism of the bill, general assertion but no specific.

City Solicitor Caswell of Toronto raised the point that the bill would limit the borrowing power of the municipalities. Toronto raised 7 mills to pay for the debt, but with the decrease in the percentage tax this would have to be raised to 8 mills.

A general discussion followed on the effect of the business tax on street railways, and also on the assessment of the gross receipts of telephone companies. Mr. Hoggins said these companies enjoyed special favors from municipalities before they would put in a service.

Mr. Gibson thought they ought to pay something, but if all the municipalities tried them they could not live. Mr. Whitney: They have taken good care so far that they have not been killed.

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WILL ERECT MONUMENT TO OUR SOUTH AFRICAN DEAD

Toronto South African Memorial Association Formed and Subscriptions Will Be Solicited.

A large number of citizens assembled in Room No. 2 at the City Hall yesterday to take part in forming an association to raise funds for the purpose of erecting a memorial to the victims of the South African War. Many of those present were ladies, among whom were Mrs. Samuel Nordheimer, Mrs. Willoughby Cummings, Miss Fitzgibbon, Mrs. Col. Bruce, Miss Cox and Miss N. M. Clarkson.

The chair was taken by Mayor Urquhart and City Clerk Littlejohn, acting as temporary secretary, read reports from Hon. G. W. Ross, Chancellor Wallace, P. C. Morley, Rev. Dr. Teedy, Col. Otter, Rev. J. A. MacDonald, President London and other citizens. Among others present were

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GRANK SEES PRESIDENT.

Thirteenth of His Kind Handed Him a Letter.

Roosevelt came to New York to-day to attend the funeral of James King Grace, whose late wife was a sister of the President's mother. During the five hours he was in the city he was surrounded by several hundred policemen and a number of special officers, but an apparently harmless crank, the thirteenth to date, managed to elude their vigilance and handed to the President a letter regarding a panacea, which he claims he has discovered.

The letter was given to one of the special officers and the man, who gave his name as A. B. Denning of 150 Broadway, was taken by the police to court, where he talked wildly.

The interruption came as the President was leaving the church, and he had just had breakfast, and that he had always appeared to be perfectly rational on all subjects except his panacea.

The Presidential party went to Jersey City without further incident, and left there for Washington at 1:15 p.m.

CLEVELAND WILL NOT STAND.

New York, Nov. 27.—Grover Cleveland has written a letter to the editor of The Brooklyn Eagle, in which he says: "In the midst of it all, and in full view of every consideration presented, I have not for a moment been able, nor am I now able, to open my mind to the thought that in any circumstances or upon any consideration, I should ever again become the nominee of my party for the Presidency."

My determination not to do so is unalterable and conclusive.

German Invasion of Britain.

London, Nov. 27.—(C.A.P.) A prominent German manufacturer says that German manufacturers so strongly believe in the success of Mr. Chamberlain's plan of negotiation that they are ready to purchase land in this country so as to be ready to lay down plants in hostile duties being imposed against German goods.

For Breach of Promise.

The course of true love is more than often the cause of too much trouble. A. P. C. Ferguson no doubt thinks so, as he is being sued by Florence Paul for \$5000 damages for breach of promise. Both parties live in Toronto.

CAN MAKE MEN SOUND AND STRONG.

Detroit Specialist Discovers Something Entirely New for the Cure of Men's Diseases in Their Own Homes.

You Pay Only if Cured

Expects No Money Unless He Cures You—Method and Full Particulars Sent Free—Write For It This Very Day

A Detroit specialist who has 14 diplomas and diplomas from medical colleges and has perfected a startling method of curing the diseases of men in their own homes, so that there is no doubt in the mind of any man that he can cure himself.

both the method and the ability to do so he says Dr. Goldberg, the discoverer, will send the method entirely free to any man who sends him money so he has made it a rule to ask for money when he has cured you, and when you have cured him, he will send you money.

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WORLD NEW TO HIM.

B.C. Politician Sees a Locomotive for the First Time.

Vancouver, Nov. 27.—Among those who came to Vancouver by yesterday's express was Harry Jones, a veteran of Cariboo, who was recently elected to the B. C. legislature. It was a unique experience for Mr. Jones. It was the first time he had seen a train, let alone traveled on one.

He is one of the pioneers of the province, and crossed the continent from New York to San Francisco in the days of the prairie schooner. Thence he went north in 1872 by ship with the rest of the goldseekers up the Fraser River, and has been in the interior ever since.

James Murphy, senior member for Cariboo, accompanied him, and explained the engine, train and the car on the way down. Mr. Jones took the steamer yesterday to Victoria and would, last night, see an electric car on the way down. He says that he comes to the railway question with a fresh eye. He got on a train without railways himself and is perhaps happier than those who travel thousands of miles a year.

One thing is certain: B. C. is good enough for him.

As he says: "The locomotive capacity is not dependent upon seeing locomotive wheels go round. Some have seen too many trains and have got wheels in their heads."

DROWNED IN MUKOKA LAKE.

Gravenhurst, Nov. 27.—On Tuesday evening last J. A. Walker, proprietor of the hotel at Island P., together with Wm. Morse Gardener and Dan Campbell, son of Capt. Peter Campbell, of Muskoka, were returning from a shopping expedition in Bracebridge, where they had gone in a canoe.

The canoe was overturned and the three men were drowned. The bodies were recovered and are being kept in the morgue.

CAUSES SOME ALARM.

St. Petersburg, Nov. 27.—The Zarina's condition causes alarm here, as the inflammation of her ear does not yield to treatment, and it is feared that an operation may be necessary.

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TORONTO BOY IN MONTÉ VIDEO.

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C.T.R.'s Game Exhibit.

The Grand Trunk Railway System have secured a space of 700 square feet at the Sportsman's Exposition, to be held at Madison Square Garden, New York, Feb. 19 to March 5, 1904, where an excellent display of fish and game will be made together with a fine collection of scenic pictures in the fishing and hunting regions in Canada.

This exposition is considered to be the finest sportsman's show held in America, and it is estimated that during the time it is open more than 100,000 people will be in attendance. The exhibit that is now on display at the Sportsman's Show, Chicago, will be augmented with several new features and forwarded to New York for display there.

Banqueted Employees.

The Alexander Engraving Co. entertained their employees to their sixth annual banquet last evening. The supper was served in their own hall.

After justice had been done to oysters and toasts to the King and Canada were duly honored they adjourned in a body to Shea's Theatre, where a most enjoyable evening was spent.

A special feature of the evening was the presentation of a gold-headed umbrella to Mr. Alexander by the employees.

Caused by the War.

Kingsport, Nov. 27.—Ex-Capt. Correll Williams of "A" Battery died to-day aged 27. He saw service in South Africa, and there received injuries to his head, which produced the disease that carried him off. His home was at Weymouth, England.

Amongst the many handsome wedding presents made by Mr. and Mrs. T. A. McLaughlin to their daughter, Miss Mary McLaughlin, was a magnificent Bell Piano, style "E," finished in black and white. This is the Art Bell style that won the diploma over all competitors at the recent Ottawa Exhibition.

SHOULD ASK FOR TENDERS FOR CITY REQUIREMENTS

Rule Laid Down Yesterday by Board of Control—Will Visit Market To-Day.

The Board of Control yesterday decided to release the Cab-Drivers' Union from the bond of \$200 given to indemnify the city from the costs of the suit regarding the Station-street cab stand.

The report of the Property Committee in regard to the action proposed to be taken concerning St. Lawrence Market was adopted. All rents will be collected and the market run on a business basis hereafter. Much dissatisfaction was expressed at the condition of the contracts, and Controller Oliver suggested that the architects be dismissed. The Controllers will visit the market this morning.

Commissioners Chambers was advised that he should ask for tenders for city work. The board objected to the accounts of the Gurney Foundry Company for \$247.27 for new boiler and fittings for Allan Gardens, and of Queen's Park, \$251.29. The items passed, but the Parks and Exhibition Committee will be notified to make no further mistakes.

The Medical Health Officer will report on a claim for \$214 made by the Harbor Commissioners because of extra haulage of dredgings from the vicinity of the western channel. The commissioners formerly had authority to dump the dredgings 2-1/2 miles out in the lake, but having commenced work on the north side of the channel, where the dredgings were very dirty, they were ordered to convey it ten miles out. The difference in the haulage is the basis for their claim.

The Park Commissioners removed an old landmark of Toronto yesterday, when he ordered the large elm tree on the west side of John-street, near the Dominion Transport Company's sheds, cut down. The tree was 4-1/2 feet thru, but in a state of decay and liable to be blown down with possible injury to the citizens.

Building permits issued: Joseph Hill, 247 1/2 Brunswick-avenue, five detached one and a half story brick dwellings, Margaret-street, near College, \$8000. A. Sims, 19 Allen-avenue, two story and attic brick dwelling, south side Simcoe-avenue, \$2100. Harry Janney, 301 Lansdowne-avenue, south side Simcoe-avenue, \$2100. Joseph Russell, 1213 East Queen-street, one and a half story brick dwelling, 331 Leslie-street, \$1200.

STORIES OF HUNTERS.

Perry Sound Star: One bold hunter is said to have been almost run over by a deer, whose horns tore his shirt, and also he had a repeater in his hands loaded with sixteen shells, he was so surprised at the appearance of the animal that he forgot to fire. He was here this afternoon from Tupper Lake, and is held on the charge of smuggling. It is alleged that Huggins has been smuggling for the past 25 years. His run was between Ottawa and Tupper Lake, and the government officials think they have a clue that may lead to the arrest of several confederates.

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MR. F. B. MOFFET of Palmerston, Ont., used one of my Belts. Read what he says:

One year ago I purchased one of your best Belts, and have never regretted it. I have been using it for a year, and I have been able to do all the work I want to do. I have been able to do all the work I want to do. I have been able to do all the work I want to do.

The above is only a sample of thousands of letters that I have on file in my office. Many of them had given up hope of ever getting cured until they came upon Dr. McLaughlin's Electric Belt. Now they are full of life, overflowing with joyous spirits, and "care to the winds." Pains are gone, weakness is gone and full vigor is in every action.

My success is not limited to any particular trouble. Any organ of the body, any part that lacks the necessary vitality to perform its natural function, can be restored by my method. It gives strength, it makes the blood rich and red and warm, it vitalizes the nerves, it puts life and vim into the brain and muscles.

Every man and woman who comes into my office gets a practical illustration of my method of cure and goes away convinced that the claims I have made for it are true. After seeing original letters from the cured (letters which I am permitted to exhibit), their doubts are expelled, and they know that my Electric Belt makes strong men out of weak men, gives buoyancy and ambition to the man who formerly got up tired every morning. They find that weak organs and atrophied parts are made as sound and as strong as Nature intended.

Backache, Lumbago, Sciatica, Stomach, Liver, Bowel, Kidney and Bladder troubles. They also see the evidence of wonderful cures of Locomotor Ataxia and some forms of paralysis. The following cures were made:—

CURES THAT PROVE WHAT MY BELT WILL DO.

I must say that I am more than satisfied with the results of the Belt. I am 52 years old, and for the past four years I have hardly been free from rheumatic pains. I could hardly get around. I have worn your Belt for five weeks, and have not had any trouble with rheumatism after I had worn the Belt for three days.—JOHN KAAR, Brownsville, Ont.

The losses are stopped and the varicose disappeared. My stomach is also better.—EDWARD H. LLOYD, Milltown, Ont.

This is to certify that I have suffered from epilepsy, and frequently had attacks as often as four times in a day. Since I started to use your Belt, I have improved steadily, and it is now over a year since I had any, so I consider myself completely cured.—W. D. MURPHY, 105 South Avenue, Toronto.

I am sorry I did not send in my report sooner, but I have been to Winnipeg exhibition for a week, and since I have returned I have been able to do all the work I want to do. I have been able to do all the work I want to do. I have been able to do all the work I want to do.

I would recommend it to every one suffering from any of the ailments for which the Belt is recommended by you. I think it is about the best remedy a man can use, and I am perfectly satisfied. The Belt saved me a large doctor's bill, besides curing me completely. D. McLAUGHLIN, architect and builder, Box 24 White Horse, Vernon, B.C.

Remember that your Belt has made a lasting cure.—G. L. SAVAGE, Chesney, Ont.

To those who still doubt there is any cure because they have been misled by false representations and want evidence of cure in their own cases before paying. I say disregard my testimonials if you will, but be convinced by what I can do in your case before you pay. I am willing to take all the chances of curing any case of Rheumatism, Lumbago, Backache, Sciatica, Varicose, Nervous Debility, Constipation, Lost Energy, resulting from exposure and excesses in middle-aged men. Give me reasonable sacrifice and you can

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