

The Evening Times and Star

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THAT PUBLIC MEETING.

Major Schofield has postponed the meeting on harbor commission because it was not sufficiently advertised and because only one speaker had indicated a desire to address the meeting.

Who is at fault, if not the city council, for lack of advertising? And why should there be a lack of speakers when the mayor and commissioners have not as yet taken the platform to explain the harbor commission act?

That is what the people want. They do not care a hoot about somebody's opinion of harbor commission in Montreal or elsewhere. They want the mayor and his colleagues, with the harbor commission act in their hands and that alone as a text, to tell exactly what it means; what it will do and will not do; what various changes the revenue of the harbor under commission would have to bear; how these would compare with present charges; what the harbor surplus has been for a period of years; what the real condition of the wharves is as shown by an expert engineering report; how much money would be required to spend in the next few years, and what for; how the work would have to be financed under the harbor commission act; and how many millions of past expenditure by the government the harbor revenue would have to provide interest on; what the cost of administration under commission would be; how the act would affect river traffic, and what powers the commission would have apart from approval of the government at Ottawa.

The mayor and commissioners have not yet given this information. It is known that Commissioner Thornton does not like the present act. Commissioner Frink has declined to say whether he is for or against it. This leaves the discussion to the mayor and Commissioner Bullock and Jones. The citizens want to hear them explain the act. If the act is adopted it leaves the city powerless to make any further appeal to Ottawa, for everything will then rest with the commission and the government of the day, and the government will be able to say—

"You voted for the act, and the act settles it—what are you kicking about?" But if the members of the city council will not discuss the act, meetings should be called by others for that purpose.

There is another matter which should be very fully discussed. An effort is being made to frighten the people by the taxation body. The wharves are said to be in a wretched condition. They are not. Engineers have not said so. The revenue of the harbor will take care of repairs, and there is absolutely no ground for fear on that score. If the people will keep to the facts, and to the truth about the harbor commission act, they will bury that document and call for a square deal.

GET BACK TO THE ACT

In the public notice published in the press under the name of Mayor Schofield the following paragraph appears:

"The said harbor commissioners are authorized to borrow money and issue debentures to provide for the purchasing, constructing, extending and improving wharves, dry-docks, elevators, warehouses, railways, bridges and other structures and structures in the harbor, the principal and interest of the money so borrowed to be repaid out of the revenue arising out of the rates and penalties imposed by the said harbor commission act."

This paragraph is misleading in the most important particular. While it makes clear that the cost of all improvements would be a burden on the harbor revenue, it does not say that the harbor commission must get the approval of the government before it does anything. But the Act reads:

"The corporation may, with the approval of the governor-in-council (at Ottawa) do the things the paragraph refers to. This is very different from saying that the commissioners "are authorized." They are not. They must refer even their by-laws to Ottawa, for the act says: "No by-law shall have force or effect until confirmed by the governor-in-council and published in the Canada Gazette."

Will the citizens endeavor to get the facts clearly in their minds? Some of them appear to think the harbor commission will have full authority and go right ahead to develop the harbor. It can do nothing of the sort.

But there is a much more serious aspect of the case. Suppose the harbor commission act, which throws the whole

LIGHTER VEIN.

Some men were sitting in a village inn yarning on various experiences. One of them had just concluded telling how he had killed a great South African lion with a revolver.

"That's nothing," said another man, rising from his seat. "Why, when I was in South Africa, walking through the jungle, I saw a great lion, but I had no revolver to shoot it with."

"What happened?" asked the startled crowd.

"Why, I simply took out my pocket knife and cut off its head!"

"What!" exclaimed the man who had first named "Cut off the head of a lion with an ordinary pocket knife! Fiddlesticks, sir—fiddlesticks!"

"Indeed, did, sir?" answered the second speaker. "But perhaps I ought to say it was a dandelion."

He was the meekest of the meek. He was so very small and so very mild. "You'll find me quite easy to please," he said to a landlady, where he had applied for a room.

"Ah, that's what they all say," replied the landlady. "Feller comes here last week. I ain't perticker, see he, No, he wasn't. 'Paps,' he said to me, 'I'm sorry. First, he objected to sleep in a room with four others. Then when I giv' 'em a bed to himself he said, 'I'm sorry, I'm sorry. Then he complained of the low—the same towel all the other visitors had written a nasty note. Well, now, are you goin' to be as perticker as all that?'"

"Perhaps, after all," murmured the meek applicant, "I'd better not risk it."

"You said you would be home at eleven, and here I have been keeping awake these last two hours waiting for you to come in!"

The delinquent husband leaped against the wall and prepared to remove his shoes. "And if?" he said sorrowfully. "I have been waiting outside for these last two hours so you'd go to sleep."

Slight Difference.

Little Robert lived in the country and had never seen a sailor.

"Paps," he said one day, "sailors must be awfully small men."

"Why do you think so?" asked the father.

"Because," answered Robert, "I read in the paper about one who went to sleep on his watch."—Detroit Free Press.

Ancient History.

Woman (to her partner)—Have you any prominent men in your family, Mr. Dunleith?

Mr. D.—Yes; one of my forefathers was an admiral. At one time he let the world's combined fleet.

Woman—How interesting! What was his name?

Mr. D.—Noah.—Houston Post.

Share Her Opinion.

"Goodness gracious!" exclaimed the girl in blue. "That ball goes so fast I don't see how the umpire can tell whether it is a ball or a strike."

"A great many people think he can't," replied her escort.—New York Sun.

Helpful Laundryman.

"Did the laundryman find those cuffs he lost last week?"

"No, John."

"The shirts are no good to me without the cuffs."

Evidently he figured it that way, too. This week he lost the shirts.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

It Comes High.

"If you were a man, Timothy Toddyburn," said his wife, "you would go right straight to your employer and demand a raise. The trouble with you is that you haven't any courage."

"I know I haven't, dear," admitted Mr. Toddyburn, "and the worst of it is that I can't afford to buy any on my present salary."—New York Sun.

CIVIC DEMONSTRATION FOR K. C.'S AT MEET OF SUPREME COUNCIL.

San Francisco, July 19.—As a fitting acknowledgment of the splendid peace and war achievements of the Knights of Columbus, a citizen's demonstration for a civic participation in the centennial anniversary of the city's incorporation, are preparing a magnificent patriotic demonstration when the thousands of visiting "Carys" come to San Francisco for their Supreme Council, August 2, 3 and 4.

The details of the citizens' committee activities in the approaching supreme convocation are now being worked out by a committee representative of every race, creed and color in the city. The executive finance committee includes Charles J. Tolson, chairman; C. Harold Caulfield and Smith O'Brien, vice-chairmen; Frank P. Hughes, secretary; and Edward J. Tobin, treasurer. The general committee is headed by the honorary direction of Mayor Jas. Ralph, Jr., and John H. McClellan, Joseph J. Tynan is chairman of the citizens' general committee; Edward Rainey, secretary; Joseph L. Hopkins, assistant secretary. The various sub-committees of the citizens' division are headed by Harry I. Mulcrey, reception and hall; William A. Newsom, decoration; Jos. O'Connor, publicity; Major Jesse Colman, parade and civic centre ceremonies; I. Silberstein, arrangements.

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Halifax, N. S., July 19.—Having found passage to Newfoundland in a five-ton motor boat too hazardous, Earle Hopkins, with his wife and child, are making it in the orthodox manner by train and big boat.

When Hopkins decided to move to Newfoundland, he sold some of his stock of dry goods and picked the rest of the things he had in his store on Cornwallis street into his motor boat. With his family and an engineer he sailed for Newfoundland from Halifax harbor, and got as far as Lawrence town, some miles down the coast. Here the engine started, and the whole expedition nearly came to wreck and ruin on the rocks. Unable to attract attention from the shore by ordinary means, Hopkins finally hit the expedient of sending out S. O. S. messages in corked bottles which floated to land.

Body picked one of the wandering bottles up, and assistance arrived in the nick of time, as the motor boat was beginning to pound heavily.

Dives to Death.

Glace Bay, July 19.—Gordon McIntyre, twenty-one, was drowned at Mira Ferry yesterday when he dived from a row boat into the water. He is thought to have taken a cramp immediately upon entering the cold water and he did not come up.

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MATTER OF LIQUOR LATE IN ARRIVING Toronto, July 19.—Discussing a report that expiration of John Barleycorn's legal life in Ontario found a large number of shipments in transit, Attorney General Raney intimated that the department would "listen to reason." There would be no stop to prolong the period to import, he said, but added—"If individuals transit because of such and such happening, their case will be considered on its merits." QUEBEC LIQUOR CASES. Montreal, July 19.—Several cases of infraction of the Quebec Liquor Act were dealt with by Judge Basin yesterday. A fine of \$1,000 was imposed upon Edmond Sturges, found guilty of transferring liquor illegally. Mr. and Mrs. Ingram were tried on a charge of selling liquor without a permit. Ingram was sentenced to a month in jail and costs or, in default of the latter, to serve another three months in jail. His wife was acquitted. Ingram is said to be a seaman, now on the high seas. ON CABLE WORK. St. John's, Nfld., July 19.—Three weeks out from Cherbourg, France, the cable ship Colonia is in port here, while en route here she effected repairs to the cable. She will make repairs to cables transit here after which she will be engaged in laying a new cable between Heart's Content, Nfld., and Sydney, Nova Scotia. C. N. R. WAGES. Moncton, N. B., July 19.—The general executive boards of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers and Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen, in the Maritime C. N. R. district are meeting here considering the wage matter.

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