

## STREET PAVING DISCUSSED BY CITY COUNCIL YESTERDAY

Property Owners on Certain Streets Protest Against Proposal to Pay Part Cost of Permanent Paving — City May Increase Property Values to Provide Necessary Funds.

At the meeting of the City Council yesterday, petitions were received from property owners interested in protesting against the paving of certain streets, German street and the south side of King Square in addition to the protest from Paradise Row; and they were referred to the Commissioner of Public Works.

Com. Agar said he did not propose to deviate from the policy of charging up a portion of the cost against abutters, and that where protests were made the work would be abandoned, and the proposed expenditures transferred to other streets where the abutters were willing to pay a share of the cost. He thought those who protested had arrived at their conclusions too hastily. They did not consider the situation from the point of view of the duties devolving upon the individual as well as the citizens.

What the commission proposed to do was only to carry out the plan put in operation in many other cities of Canada and the United States, which had learned from experience that it was the only equitable way of providing clean and lasting thoroughfares. Many people say: "Let the city do it." But the city is only the Mayor, the corporation and the citizens. If a man occupies a good location every other man in the city helps him to live in ease and comfort. The greater the congestion of people, the greater the profits. Therefore he ought to make some return for the profits his position enables him to make out of the public.

If the city puts down permanent pavement and charges the whole cost against the public generally, the central districts will be improved, and many hundreds of taxpayers will have to pay to increase the value of the most profitable property while having little or no attention paid to the streets near their homes.

The city was only asking the abutters on either side of the street to pay one-fourth of the cost; the public pays for the central pavement, and the street intersections in some cities the property holders had to pay the whole cost of the paving, and also of the sidewalks. The system of charging the whole cost against the general public was in the interests of the rich man. We want to get something from the men who reap profits from holding property occupying a good position in the community.

The Mayor—in other words you are getting at the land tax?

Amounts to Land Tax.

Com. Agar said that was what it amounted to. Whatever was done in the past, should not be begrudged. So far as he was concerned he would not deviate, rather he would expect to exact better terms in the future.

Com. Schofield remarked that complaints were made that some streets

had been paved without asking the abutters to pay. But in all cities there came a time when the policy was changed, and there would have to be a change here.

The mayor said an impression prevailed that the commission had adopted the by-law they were acting under. But this act was passed in 1907; the old council had only applied it in the case of German street. In the last ten years the city had spent about half a million dollars on its streets; broken stones had been dumped on the streets in the spring, ground to powder during the summer, and in the fall scraped off and used to fill up somebody's land. He did not think the citizens wanted this policy continued; there was nothing to show for it. "We call Halifax a sleepy old town. But the Halifax city council had been besieged by so many petitions from property holders willing to pay not only half the cost of pavement, but the whole cost of sidewalks that it had to curtail its programme. The new pavement was going down among the most valuable properties in the city, and permanent pavement enhances values. It might be necessary to have the assessors scale up valuations in order to meet the expense of new pavement.

"Whether we like it or not, the land tax is forcing its way into the community," added His Worship.

Will Change Locations.

Com. Wigmore thought it was important that those who directly benefited should pay a fair share of the cost of improving the streets.

Com. Agar said some citizens living on other streets wanted the proposed expenditures transferred, and he expected to submit a supplementary list of streets.

Com. Schofield recommended that the order of council of April 10, 1912, offering to sell to W. Bradford Nice the fee simple in lot No. 552, Guys Ward, (now under lease to him), for the sum of \$500, be annulled, and the offer withdrawn. This was adopted.

A new company wrote offering to supply the city with expert engineering service at any time and the letter was referred to the Commissioner of Public Affairs.

A letter was received from the Monastery of the Good Shepherd, expressing the hope that some time in the future the city might aid the institution, which was doing good work, and pointing out that Halifax aided a branch there. The Mother Superior added that the society put its trust in Providence, and was not disappointed, as while writing the letter she had received word that a citizen, not a Catholic, had donated \$500 to the society.

The Nova Scotia Clay Works wrote offering to sell the city paving blocks.

### TRINITY Y.M.A. IN

### ANNUAL MEETING

Business Session Last Evening Shows Association to be Financially Sound — Suggest Change in Institution.

The annual business meeting of the Y. M. A. of Trinity church was held last evening in the school room of the building, with the president of the association, C. E. Upham, presiding.

The secretary and treasurer's reports were received showing the organization to be in a sound financial condition.

The regular business of the society was then dealt with.

Plans for the year, such as the holding of meetings, entertainments, social functions, etc., were discussed.

During the meeting it was suggested and recommended that some changes be made in the constitution of the society, whereby one or two clauses would be eliminated and new clauses inserted. The election of officers will be held at a later date.

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Life Underwriters to Convene Here.

St. John has been selected for the annual convention of the Life Underwriters of the Maritime Provinces. The convention will be held in June and will continue for two days, 26th and 27th. It is expected that the president of the Dominion Life Underwriters, John A. Torrey, will be present to deliver an address. As the convention is open to all insurance men, it is anticipated that the gathering will be a large one.

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"For thirty-five years (and I am now a man over seventy) I have been a terrible sufferer from constipation. No matter what remedy or physicians I employed, the result was always the same—impossible to get a cure. About 3 years ago I read the testimonial of Hon. John Costigan regarding 'Fruit-atives' and I decided to give them a trial. I have used 'Fruit-atives' ever since. They are the best and only medicine that suited my case. If it were not for 'Fruit-atives', I am satisfied I could not live."

Mr. Proudfoot is one of the prominent farmers of Prescott County and has been Treasurer of Caledonia Township for years. 'Fruit-atives' is sold at 50c. a box, 6 for \$2.50—trial size, 25c., by dealers or from Fruit-atives Limited, Ottawa.

## BUSHFAN AND JONES ADMIT THEIR GUILT

Young Man Charged with Assaulting William London Remanded for Sentence—Other Cases Taken up.

Owing to Magistrate Ritchie being delayed in returning to the city yesterday morning, Sitting Magistrate Henderson presided over the police court. Eight drunks were fined four dollars each. Three old timers were remanded to be dealt with later.

The Magistrate session when Harry and Robert Rees, charged with disturbing the Salvation Army meeting on the West Side Saturday night, and with using bad language, were before the court and were remanded to jail.

The two colored youths, Bushfan and Jones, were also brought in in the afternoon and pleaded guilty to assaulting William London. They were remanded to jail for sentence.

The charges of selling cigarettes and beer on Sunday preferred against three women, will be dealt with at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon.

## COMEDY, MUSIC AND FINE PICTURE BILL

Nickel Opens Week with Fine Display—Large Audiences Delighted at Yesterday's Performances.

Large audiences yesterday afternoon and night were delighted with the fine bill presented at the Nickel Theatre. The feature picture film was "The Retreat from Moscow." It is an historical spectacle in two reels and vividly tells the story of Napoleon's futile attack in the year 1812. Thousands of soldiers take part in the production and the retreat of the French soldiers over the snow is very realistic.

A bright picture entitled "A Motor Boat Party," and this is full of fun from start to finish.

"Where the Bonds Went," is a Kalem finance drama and is being shown in the theatre.

The other pictures shown were of the latest and made a decided hit.

Miss Adele Harney, with her sweet voice, was again a feature and made an impression with a beautiful solo entitled "Cupid and I."

A new act at the Nickel is Billy Davis, black face who with his latest songs and a ten minute spiel of catchy jokes kept the large audiences in roars of laughter. The same bill will be repeated today.

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Cured by Dr. Williams' Pink Pills Because They Make Pure Blood.

Ask any doctor and he will tell you that eczema is caused by impurities in the blood; that nothing can cure it that does not reach the blood—that salves and outward applications are worthless and a waste of money. The reason why Dr. Williams' Pink Pills have always been so successful in curing this most annoying trouble is because they act directly on the blood, reaching the root of the trouble and driving out all impurities. They banish eczema, salt rheum, and unsightly pimples and eruptions, relieve the irritation and itching and give perfect health.

Mrs. A. Pulling, of Milestone, Sask., says: "I was afflicted with a blood and skin disease which the doctor called eczema, but which did not yield in the least to his treatment. I was covered with sores and in very bad shape. A friend advised me to take Dr. Williams' Pink Pills and after using eight or nine boxes I was completely cured. I can strongly recommend the pills to anyone suffering from that trouble."

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IN THE COURTS

County Court.

In the county court yesterday morning the case of the Hayward Company vs. David A. Stewart came up and was adjourned until the 25th inst. This is an action brought to recover \$250 for 150 barrels of cement. The defence is that the goods were delivered to St. John instead of to the defendant, and in asking for a postponement, read an affidavit setting out that the defendant, who is a necessary witness to the case, is a member of the legislative assembly. H. H. Pickett appeared for the plaintiff.

In the case of James Lewis & Son vs. Alfred D. Murray, judgment was entered for \$51, balance due on acceptance. No defence was made. H. H. Pickett appeared for the plaintiff.

In Chambers.

A disclosure matter came up before Judge Forbes yesterday morning on application of Willie Sing, who was arrested on a bailable writ commencing action for the recovery of \$384. Sing had several Chinese, including Hum One, arrested on assault charges a week or so ago, and immediately after that case Hum One had Sing arrested. The former and Tom Dick had paid Willie Sing's head tax of \$500 on his coming into the country and he was to pay them back in instalments. He said this morning that he had paid all but \$276, while George H. V. Belyea for the plaintiff contended that \$384 was still due his client. It was said that the difference was paid to Tom Dick, who has left the country.

It was agreed that Sing should be discharged on entering into an agreement to pay the \$384 on condition that he would have to pay only \$276 if Tom Dick returned with the balance. J. A. Barry appeared for the defendant.

## SCHOOL SAVINGS BANKS PROVE GREAT SUCCESS

Reports Submitted to School Board, Last Evening, Show that Students have Enthusiastically Taken up Idea — Board will Ask Government to Increase Assessment Limit.

At a meeting of the finance committee of the Board of School Trustees subsequent to the regular meeting last night it was decided to memorialize the legislature to increase the present limit of \$125,000 for school purposes to \$150,000. The many applications for increases in salaries of teachers, as well as other expenditures which will have to be made by the board necessitate the additional \$25,000 which is to be asked.

It was also decided to memorialize the legislature to empower the board of School Trustees to appoint a medical inspector for the local schools.

The question of introducing a system of medical inspection in the public schools of the city has been in abeyance for some time. At a meeting of the school board several months ago, a motion was adopted in favor of putting the matter before the provincial legislature and asking that the board be empowered to act. The question went no further, however, until last night when J. V. Russell asked for information as to what step the board had thus far taken. This revived it, and the motion referred to was read by the secretary.

It was the opinion that no further delay should be permitted in so important a motion, and it was accordingly left for the committee meeting of the board, at which the decision was reached to petition the legislature.

Both the question of medical inspection and increased grant will be taken up Wednesday or Thursday, when the chairman, R. B. Emerson and J. V. Russell will present the views of the school board in Fredericton.

At the regular meeting of the board the first complete statement regarding the practical working of the penny savings banks was submitted and showed that during the six months the system has been in operation the sum of \$2,792.07 has been placed in the bank to the credit of the pupils.

Considering that the system has been working and also that the above amount represents the savings of pupils in only four of the schools, the success of the scheme is established without the slightest doubt.

The statement was received by the board with enthusiasm, one and all voting the penny saving banks a success. The chairman urged that the system be extended to the other schools, so that all scholars may derive the benefits, and the opening of the schools after the summer holidays will in all probability find the banks in all the buildings of the city.

The following are the amounts saved in the four schools:

St. Malachi's ..... \$591.91  
St. Michael's ..... 555.54  
Dufferin ..... 585.25  
Albert ..... 585.25

Winter St. School and Annex, 1,059.37  
Total ..... \$2,792.07

R. B. Emerson, chairman of the board presided, and other trustees present were, J. V. Russell, Geo. E. Day, M. E. Agar, H. Cuby Smith, T. H. Bullock, D. H. Nase, Mrs. Jas. Dever, with Superintendent Dr. Bridges, Secretary Gordon Leavitt and Truant Officer McManis.

Among the communications received by the board were applications for positions on the teaching staff by Miss Alice M. Casey and Miss Lottie White, of White's Cove. The resignation of M. D. Sweeney, who retires after over 20 years of service to accept another position, was accepted with regret, and the secretary was instructed to acknowledge the good work done by Mr. Sweeney. Supt. Bridges reported that Miss Alice Kelly had been temporarily appointed to the vacancy created by the resignation of Mr. Sweeney. Although desirable that the principalship should be in the hands of a male teacher, it was impossible to find one to find one. The arrangement was approved by the board.

The resignation of J. Puddister as janitor of Victoria committee of the board authorized to appoint a successor.

A motion was adopted that the sum of \$12, balance due teachers from the government grant for loss of time

during repairs to boilers in Centennial school be paid.

The St. John Teachers' Association wrote the board that at the last meeting of the association it was decided to ask the board to take steps to have the assessment for schools increased to permit of more remuneration for members of the teaching staffs of the city schools. The communication was referred to the finance committee.

The school board acceded to the request of the Playgrounds Association for permission to use the exhibition hall of Centennial school for the two months course of instruction for playground teachers. The course begins this month. Trustee Day assured the board that the expense for lighting, etc., would be borne by the association.

Trustee Day stated that the two mounds of earth at the site of the new Bentley street school could be removed gratis by parties who desired the material, he said, would be of no value in building the proposed school. The matter was left with the committee and Trustee Agar. It may be possible that the rock can be utilized in street work and the committee will have an examination made before disposing of the question.

Dr. Bridges reported, Millidgeville school now in a satisfactory condition for classes. The secretary reported the material ready for the annual report of the board, and was authorized to call for tenders for printing the reports.

He also reported that owing to an epidemic of measles in the Protestant Orphanage the classes have been discontinued.

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St. John Conservative Club.

The regular monthly meeting of the St. John Conservative Club will be held this evening in their rooms in the market building, at 8 o'clock. All members requested to attend.

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