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COMMISSION GOVT. TO BE INVESTIGATED

City Council Decide to Gather Information That May Be Basis For Referendum Vote.

DELAY IN PREPARING OF PLANS FOR TUBES

Civic government by commission, its virtues and defects, will be investigated by a special committee...

Since The World began an active campaign in this direction last week, the commission method of doing the city's business has been a lively topic...

Ald. Heyd's suggestion is "for the appointment of a committee composed of Controllers Spence and Foster, Ald. Phelan, Rowland, Weston, Graham, McCausland, Baird and the mover to investigate and report on the advisability of placing the government of the City of Toronto in the hands of a commission...

Ald. Phelan also gave notice of motion in favor of adopting the principle of the "initiative and referendum." He asks an enactment whereby the city government would be under the strict control of the people...

The department of industries and public utility has ceased to be, after an existence of five years. This was the way the members voted.

For retention—Ald. McCarthy, McLeod, Welch, Rowland, Maguire, Murphy, Baird, Anderson, Phelan, Hamby and May—11.

Against—Mayor Geary, Controllers Foster, Ward, Spence and Sheehy, Ald. Weston, Dunn, Hilton, Graham, McCausland, D. Spence and Chisholm—12.

Ald. O'Neill was absent when the vote was taken and Ald. Heyd, as chairman of the committee, didn't vote.

Controller Foster reiterated his argument that Toronto is developing too fast to require such works, and that Dunn asserted that, while the department had cost \$26,000, it had only brought two industries within the gates.

Ald. McCarthy said such a department had brought Rochester many industries, and the city of Buffalo was considering establishing one. Chicago had spent \$300,000 on such work in six years.

The understanding is that one of the duties in the assessment committee will be given the duty of negotiating with outside industries as occasions arise.

Two more valuable weeks will be lost in preparing the way for a report by an engineering expert on the most desirable method of doing the city's business.

This was agreed to, but a motion by Ald. Maguire ordering the board to report to the acquisition by the city of \$40 acres to be used as a site for the Morley-avenue sewage disposal works.

Ald. Baird wanted the assessment commissioner to supply the usual information as to the assessed value of the land. He didn't think the assessed value was more than half the price asked.

Ald. Maguire said it was customary when the city's price for property is asked to buy wasn't accepted by the owner to resort to arbitration. He believed Mr. Forman had originally offered Mr. Foster only \$26,000.

Ald. McBride quoted Mr. Forman as saying that arbitration would likely end in the city paying more for the land, and Ald. Graham believed the commissioner would not agree to pay.

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FOR A CHINESE UNIVERSITY.

LONDON, April 11.—The Rev. Lord William Cecil, rector of Bishopscote Hall, said yesterday for the United States to obtain support from the American universities in promoting a university in China.

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TORONTO BEATEN IN FIGHTING RADICALS

Toronto & Eastern and H., W. & G. Bills Now Stand for Final Reading, After Some Heated Discussions.

OTTAWA, April 11.—(Special.)—Toronto met with two reverses in the house to-day and to-night, when, despite the all-out opposition of A. C. Macdonell (St. Toronto), the bills to incorporate the Hamilton, Waterloo and Guelph and the Toronto and Eastern Radial Railway companies were squeezed thru to stand for third readings.

There was some lively repartee in connection with the Toronto and Eastern bill, and Col. Sam Hughes made some "smart" references to Toronto's aldermen. When the bill was taken up, Major Currie objected to being proceeded with in the absence of its sponsor, Mr. Powke, Liberal member for South Ontario.

Major Currie: "Do you want another all night sitting of the house? It was to be remembered that the house desired to reach an adjournment at an early date and this would be impossible if bills were to be laid over without some good reason. If it were to be laid over, it should at least hold its place on the order paper, and not go to the bottom of it."

Mr. Currie said he would let all bills which were contentious go to the bottom of the order paper. It was high time to adopt the British practice of making members ballot for their place on the order paper at the opening of the session.

Col. Hughes as "Sub." Some one asked what would be done in the event of amendments being moved, and Col. Hughes said that Mr. Powke had asked him to look after the bill in his absence. The declaration was greeted with various branches of Col. Hughes.

Claude Macdonell then launched into a long address in opposition to the bill, the gist being that the proposed railway which will run from Toronto to Cobourg, with various branches, was a local affair and should not be given a federal charter.

He also objected to the bill as a means of giving Toronto on the same terms as other towns of the province. He soon roused the friends of the bill by a statement that the railway would be built on the city at its own sweet will.

Mr. Graham declared that the conditions were set down in three clauses, and Col. Hughes said that Mr. Macdonell was stating what he knew was not true.

The chair ruled that there had been no reflection on the Liberal party, the member for South Toronto, who then went on with his argument, claiming that the new road might interfere with the city's tube plan.

Then Col. Hughes took the floor with an argument that the Conservatives had no reflection on the Liberal party, the member for South Toronto, who then went on with his argument, claiming that the new road might interfere with the city's tube plan.

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TOO MUCH TO SWALLOW



Brother Miller fails to force it down.

G. A. CASE WINS APPEAL TO DIVISIONAL COURT

Was Acting Only as Trustee in a Deal in Which Dominion Brewery was Involved.

In the case of Cissell v. Lovell, in which the ownership of the Dominion Brewery came in question, the divisional court yesterday disposed of an appeal by the defendants, George A. Case and G. A. Case, Limited, from the trial judgment. Justice Riddell, the trial judge, had dismissed the action against all the defendants except the two named, and Charles Miller, who claimed to have an interest similar to that of the plaintiffs.

The divisional court, composed of Chief Justice Sir William Meredith, Justice MacMahon and Justice Teitel, has unanimously reversed the findings of the trial judge adverse to the defendants, George A. Case and G. A. Case, Limited, and has dismissed the plaintiffs' action as against them.

Chief Justice Meredith, who delivered the judgment of the court, says in part: "The position of G. A. Case, Limited, under the agreement of Dec. 14, 1906, when a purchaser had been found, was that of a trustee for him, and there is nothing in the form of the agreement or the proposed changes in the Canadian customs tariff as a result of the new agreement with the United States."

For the year ended March 31, 1909, the value of the articles on which reductions are proposed is: From United States, \$4,834,282; from other countries under general tariff, \$8,015,507; imports from countries to which the reduced rates apply under the French treaty, \$1,615,323; amount of imports affected by the proposed reduction in duties, \$6,449,172; estimated amount of reduction in duties on goods from all countries, \$232,149.

The estimated amount of reduction in revenue on goods imported from the United States is \$192,874. The revenue on the proposed tariff will be \$227,861, as against \$1,129,675 collected in 1908-09. The value of the imports of goods not enumerated in the tariff schedule in the general tariff during 1908-09 was, \$1,954,519, of which \$1,256,608 came from the United States. The estimated reduction in duties on these is \$46,919.

CAPT. TATLOW DEAD

Former Member of B. C. Government Dies From Injuries.

VANCOUVER, B.C., April 11.—(Special.)—Hon. Robt. G. Tatlow, formerly in the McBride cabinet, who was thrown from his rig on Friday afternoon, striking his head on the stone pavement, died early this morning, not having regained consciousness.

He was an Irishman, 55 years of age. Educated in England, he came to the coast many years ago. In 1894, he was an unsuccessful candidate for the legislature, but in 1909, was elected, and in subsequent contests. In 1903, he was appointed minister of finance and agriculture, and that the seed bed is in ideal condition. The season is a month ahead of any record kept by the company.

N. Y. CENTRAL EMPLOYEES ON VERGE OF A STRIKE

Refuse to Accept Company's Compromise Offer on Wage Demands—Vote Already Taken.

NEW YORK, April 11.—A second offer by the New York Central and Hudson River Railroad to increase the wages of conductors and trainmen was turned down by the men at the meeting of their representatives in New York to-night.

The company will be so notified tomorrow and if an agreement is not reached then, the employees will adhere to their strike vote as recently taken, in which 57 per cent of the men between this city and Buffalo favored a strike unless their original demands for wage increase are granted.

The terms of to-day's offer were not made public. An increase from \$ 4 to \$ 4.60 per cent, what the men are holding out for. The company offered a compromise of increases from \$ 4 to \$ 5 per cent, and it was upon this proposal that the strike vote was taken.

If the road fails to come to terms tomorrow, the men of this division can strike if they so desire with the sanction of their national officers. It is believed, however, that negotiations under the Erdman Act will prevent a sudden walkout.

PEDDLERS ORGANIZE

Meet at St. Lawrence Market and Air Their Grievances.

Peddlers met yesterday in St. Lawrence Market and formed a union. The new system of forcing each driver and each helper to have a license was the primary cause of the union as the peddlars are wroth.

Before the inauguration of the new system, each outfit, consisting of a horse and a wagon, was taxed \$10. If there are two men in a wagon, each must pay for a license. The peddlars unite themselves to other forms of business and wonder why each clerk, for example, in a cigar store, is not forced to pay a license.

They also object because they are not allowed to back their wagons into the upper market on Saturday afternoons when they have a lot of produce to sell.

They say that two-thirds of the peddlars own city property, yet producers from the country, who do not pay city taxes, are allowed in. A meeting will be held Monday night next in Occident Hall.

PAINTERS ARE IN THE MOOD TO GO ON STRIKE

Will Try to Force Employers to Their Demand for Higher Wages.

To take the bull by the horns and declare a strike against the Master Painters' Association was really the sentiment expressed in the resolution adopted at the mass meeting of the three local painters' unions in the Larch Temple last night, due to the refusal of the association to comply with the request for an increase in wages from thirty cents to thirty-five cents an hour.

There were about 60 union painters present, and the great majority were in favor of forcing the employers to accede to their demand. At the resolution met with general approval it was referred to the district council, the officers of which were specially opposed to declaring an immediate strike, and at a subsequent meeting the council decided to refer the question to the executive authority for advice.

There are 75,000 members in the international organization, and should the executive sanction a strike it would mean that the locals would have 870,000 behind them to stand with. Another mass meeting may be called next week to hear the decision of the executive, but in the meantime steps may be taken towards having the differences settled by arbitration.

There are some employers who employ only a small number of men, it is understood, who are willing to accede to the demand of the union, and to these it is necessary to grant permits allowing men to work for them when a strike is in progress. This point was a matter of much discussion, and the granting of permits was opposed by some, as the willingness of the smaller painters to accept the increase in wages would mean that the larger contractors, and this only has a tendency to prolong a strike.

In view of the fact that the agreement of the Sheet Metal Workers' Union with the employers will shortly expire, J. H. Kennedy, one of the principal officers, is busy throughout the city carrying on organization work among the non-union employees. It is understood that the sheet metal workers are asking for an increase from 35 to 40 cents an hour, and that they have been offered 35 cents, but are not ready to accept it. At present there are about 400 sheet metal workers in Toronto, and over 60 per cent of these belong to the union.

A RETROSPECT.

April 12, 1783: Rodney won battle of "The Saints" in the West Indies.

April 12, 1821: Louis and Matthews were executed in Toronto.

April 12, 1852: Ranocod annexed.

April 12, 1867: The imperial government passed an act authorizing the commissioners of the treasury to guarantee interest on a loan not exceeding \$5,000,000, for the construction of an inter-colonial railway from Halifax to the St. Lawrence.

April 12, 1877: Transvaal first annexed.

Political Riot in France. POINT A PITRE, Guadeloupe, April 11.—One man was killed and many were wounded in election riots to-day, extending to the evening. The store was on the right line. The store will be open every evening for the sale of men's hats.

DO LIBERALS PLAN AN AUTUMN ELECTION?

Montreal Politicians Hear That Sir Wilfrid Will Seek Snap Verdict While Opposition is Disorganized.

MONTREAL, April 11.—(Special.) Many knowing ones here in both parties are predicting that Sir Wilfrid Laurier will dissolve the present parliament as soon after the summer holidays as possible, advisers naturally thinking that there would be no better opportunity than the present for securing a snap verdict, while the Conservative organization is split up. They argue that Sir Wilfrid, who is in ill-health, wants to travel a la Roosevelt, and that a splendid opportunity presents itself now.

The premier will tell his excellency that he wants an emphatic approval of his naval policy by the people, and such an ardent imperialist as Earl Grey would, they think, jump at the opportunity of saying to his friends in England that his last act, while here in Canada, was to secure the endorsement by the Canadian people of the great imperial defence program.

MUST BE BORN AGAIN

Kingston Standard Discusses the Conservative Party.

KINGSTON, April 11.—(Special.)—The Standard (Con.) to-night prints its first of a series of articles on "The Ottawa Situation at Close Range." It says in part of the demand for a re-organization of the Conservative party.

"There is to be a new birth; and truth and candor compel the statement that that new birth is necessary, for he who sees the situation at first hand and at close range and talks not alone with the leaders of the party, but with the rank and file at Ottawa, serves well neither the party nor his party by pretending that all is well at Ottawa. All is not well. There is need for a change, and it is a happy and fortunate condition of affairs that there is desire for a change. A new order of things is both imminent and inevitable."

The so-called Old Guard at Ottawa has had its day. The day of the new guard is here—not a new guard possessed of the idea that it alone must rule the party, but a new guard with its strength and its courage, with its vitality and its aggressiveness, with its keenness of intellect and its alertness of perception, with its recognition of changed conditions and the necessity of changed policies. The new guard shall not be relegated to the rear by the fiction that seniority alone should count and that brains and talent are purpose and resources. It must wait upon old age—must bow to submission to the old order of things.

To be sure we are glibly told by The Toronto Mail and Empire that its numerous bits of political insanity that all is well with the party, while on the other hand we are glibly told by The Toronto News in one or other of its numerous bits of political insanity that all is well with the party. The truth is all is not well with the party, nor is all well with the party. The future is uncertain, and the future is uncertain. It is difficult to say it, nevertheless, for the sake of the party that it should be said—neither The Mail and Empire nor The Toronto News to-day can speak or in respect is speaking officially for the Conservative party.

As things stand to-day there is no so-called official organ, as we can see in the Conservative party, and perhaps it is well under the circumstances that it is so. Indeed we question if it may not be better to continue so, to the end that all the Conservative newspapers, instead of as in the old days, following the so-called party organs, shall speak out their own minds, and their own knowledge. The Mail as things stand now is rather the representative of the old-time Conservatism—the Conservatism, that is, that abhors rather than progresses—the party of to-day or the party ideas.

So far as The Toronto News is concerned—and The Standard when it is speaking of The Mail and of The News is speaking, be it understood, not officially for any of the party, but rather venturing what the party itself unofficially says—and by that we mean the Conservatives at Ottawa whatever their rank—the policy of The News to-day in its anti-French campaign and in its stirring up of racial prejudices, is a policy which practically to a man the Conservatives at Ottawa will call you has been a damnable policy."

Dominion Steel Directors Meet. MONTREAL, April 11.—(Special.)—The meeting of the Dominion Steel Co. directors to-day was not productive of results. Mr. Flummer stated that no one on the board had even discussed the matter of a dividend.

STORE OPEN EVENINGS.

The Dinsen Company had their first open evening last night to accommodate the late shoppers and those who do not find it convenient to buy their ready-made clothing in daylight hours. Though the weather was bad the patronage extended to the company that it was on the right line. The store will be open every evening for the sale of men's hats.