York County and Suburbs of Toronto

BARKER CHOSEN AS THIRD DEPUTY

Had More Votes Than All Four Other Candidates Combined.

THANKED THE ELECTORS

His One Ambition Was Fulfilled by Result of Voting.

Robert Barker was the choice of the electors of York Township for the third deputy reeveship, rendered vacant by the death of Third Deputy Reeve Buchanan. He polled 889 votes, while his opponents altogether could only muster 537, giving him a plurality of 352. The returns showed that Mr. Barker polled practically all the votes in the farming districts. The final results were: Robert Barker, 889; J. C. Woolner, 197; T. R. Wilcox, 193; C. T. Lacey, 97; J. O'Hara, 50.

The polls at the different sub-divisions were as follows:

Division No. 1 (Oriole)—Barker, 44; Lacey, 0; O'Hara, 1; Wilcox, 0; Woolner, 0.

No. 2 (Lansing)—Barker, 23; Lacey, 0; O'Hara, 0; Wilcox, 1; Woolner, 0.

No. 3 (Willowdale))—Barker, 26; Lacey, 0; O'Hara, 0; Wilcox, 1; Woolner, 0.

No. 4 (Ellis)—Barker, 17; Lacey, 0; O'Hara, 0; Wilcox, 0; Woolner, 0.

No. 5 (Emery)—Barker, 24; Lacey, 0; O'Hara, 0; Wilcox, 0; Woolner, 0.

No. 6 (Downsview)—Barker, 16; Lacey, 0; O'Hara, 2; Wilcox, 2; Woolner, 0.

No. 7 (Mount Dennis)—Barker, 76; Lacey, 5; O'Hara, 0; Wilcox, 5; Woolner, 9.

No. 8 (Fairbank)—Barker, 16; Lacey, 0; O'Hara, 3; Wilcox, 7; Woolner, 0.

No. 9 (West Deer Park)—Barker, 1; Lacey, 1; O'Hara, 3; Wilcox, 0; Woolner, 0.

No. 12 (Todmorden S.)—Barker, 116; Lacey, 3; O'Hara, 0; Wilcox, 2; Woolner, 1.

No. 13 (Todmorden N.)—Barker, 67; Lacey, 3; O'Hara, 0; Wilcox, 0; Woolner, 2.

No. 14 (East Deer Park)—Barker, 3; Lacey, 0; O'Hara, 2; Wilcox, 0; Woolner, 0.

No. 15 (Wychwood)—Barker, 22; Lacey, 1; O'Hara, 0; Wilcox, 25; Woolner, 12.

No. 16 (Earlscourt)—Barker, 5; Lacey, 17; O'Hara, 5; Wilcox, 17; Woolner, 0.

No. 17 (French Avenue, Runnymede)—Barker, 37; Lacey, 1; O'Hara, 0; Wilcox, 0; Woolner, 24.

No. 18 (Jane Street, Runnymede)—Barker, 39; Lacey, 0; O'Hara, 1; Wilcox, 0; Woolner, 23.

No. 19 (Swansea)—Barker, 16; Lacey, 0; O'Hara, 0; Wilcox, 0; Woolner, 20.

No. 20 (Cedarvale)—Barker, 103; Lacey, 0; O'Hara, 0; Wilcox, 0; Woolner, 1.

No. 21 (Bracondale)—Barker, 9; Lacey, 10; O'Hara, 11; Wilcox, 39; Woolner, 0.

No. 22 (Vaughan Road)—Barker, 5; Lacey, 4; O'Hara, 12; Wilcox, 61; Woolner, 0.

No. 23 (Ennerdale Road, Earlscourt)—Barker, 5; Lacey, 46; O'Hara, 6; Wilcox, 30; Woolner, 0.

No. 24 (Black Creek)—Barker, 52; Lacey, 0; O'Hara, 3; Wilcox, 2; Woolner, 13.

No. 25 (Dundas Street)—Barker, 14; Lacey, 1; O'Hara, 1; Wilcox, 0; Woolner, 92.

Barker Was Happy

After Township Clerk W. A. Clarke had announced the results, Mr. Barker stated that he felt too happy to say too much, but he wished to thank the electors for his return to the council, which was his one ambition. C. T. Lacey was very pleased with the way in which the working men had voted, considering it was a bye-election. He thought that had the election been on a different day and hour the result would have been totally different. Mr. Lacey will run again next year.

T. R. Wilcox said that the result was not surprising, as four out of the five candidates were new men. "I've worked hard to get to the head of the poll," said Mr. Wilcox, "but I will return again next year for another try." He said that something would have to be done regarding sewers and water for the township in the near future, referring to Detroit as supplying the suburbs for miles around with these necessities. The candidate thought that the east end was entitled to have a man on the township council.

Sewers and Water

Mr. Woolner wanted to save his remarks for next January, but he considered that new blood was needed in the council.

After shouts of Syme, Syme, the reeve appeared to congratulate Mr. Barker on his success, and referred feelingly to the loss of Mr. Buchanan. He said that the sewerage and water questions were still very much in doubt. He claimed that the suburban residents were practically citizens of Toronto, inasmuch as they worked and spent all their money in the city, and were deserving of the same benefits.

Mr. Syme stated that the board of control was endeavoring to arrange a meeting with the York, Scarboro and Etobicoke councils, when all the questions now before the public would be fully dealt with.

TODMORDEN.

The death took place yesterday at St. Michael's Hospital of Richard J. Cosburn, fifty-three years of age, and well-known in Todmorden.

Mr. Cosburn, who for some time past had been suffering with cancer of the tongue, went into the hospital Wednesday and succumbed on the operating table at noon yesterday.

He was the eldest son of R. C. Cosburn of Leslie street, Todmorden, being born in Leslieville, and had been a resident of the east end ever since. He was a brother-in-law of Robert Barker, the newly-elected third deputy reeve of York Township, of Cosburn avenue, Todmorden. He is survived by his widow, four sons and a daughter, who range in age from eleven to twenty-four years.

Mrs. Ann Turney, who had been in the service of Mrs. G. Taylor, Don Mills road, for the past six years, died at 7 p.m. yesterday in the General Hospital of pneumonia. She was seventy years of age, had been in the service of the different members of the Taylor family in Todmorden for the past twenty-five years, and was highly respected. She is survived by two daughters, who reside in the neighborhood, one being the wife of Frank Shipp, engineer of the Don Valley Brick Works. She was a member of the Don Mills Road Methodist Church.

WESTON

The officers for 1914 are: G. W. Verral, president; Thomas Griffith and James Gardhouse, vice-presidents; A. G. Gouldin, sec.-treas.; J. R. Dennis, assistant. The directors are: Etobicoke, T. Stobbart, R. Wardlaw, W. Clarkson, W. Gardhouse and T. Delwerth; York, Geo. Syme, R. L. Crawford, F. Jackson, F. Miller and N. Boylen; Weston, S. Macklin, W. Shields, J. Dickin, J. Gardhouse, H. Cousins and D. Rowntree; West Toronto, W. J. Hilton and John Clarke.

RATEPAYERS GAVE A FINE BANQUET

North Toronto Residents the Hosts of Toronto City Council.

ANNEXATION BENEFITS

Controller McCarthy Says the District Will Get Fair Treatment.

It would be difficult to imagine a more successful or more enjoyable entertainment than the banquet tendered to the city council and city officials by the North Toronto Ratepayers' Association last night. The general arrangements had been made with a completeness and thoro attention to detail that left nothing to be desired, and the citizens in the district did high honor to the occasion by leaving no seat unoccupied. In fact, in looking round the hall, one was struck by the number of well known city business men who have made their homes in the northern suburb during the past year.

After the guests had partaken of such delectable fare as municipal soup, single fare turkey with duplex sauce and fruits of annexation, etc., the toast of the king was duly honored, President E. V. Donelley being toastmaster. "Canada," proposed in a few well chosen words by A. Thorne, was replied to by P. W. Ellis. After referring briefly to the subject of his toast, Mr. Ellis referred to his early residence in North Toronto and the pleasure it gave him to see the progress that had taken place since those days of lanterns, wells and horse cars. Even then he recollected there was a ratepayers' association in North Toronto which did good service, and he was sure North Toronto was greatly benefited by the activity of its present progressive society.

Hydro-Electric

Mr. Ellis had been asked to make special reference to Hydro-Electric in his address, and he gave a concise exposition of the past, present and future to be desired for the people's power in Toronto, stating that the city was now using half the whole load arranged for by the provincial hydro commission. He regretted to state that there were yet ten miles of streets in the city without a Hydro customer, and he made a special appeal to those who had not yet connected up with Hydro power.

"We are encouraged in our work," he said, "and stimulated to the greatest efforts because we believe you have confidence in your commission (applause), and we invite criticisms, so long as it is constructive."

Mr. Ellis concluded with a tribute to the present city officials, whom he characterized as earnest, industrious men, endeavoring to do their duty to the best of their ability.

Before Annexation.

W. G. Ellis was accorded the honor of proposing the City of Toronto. He referred humorously to the pre-annexation days when debate was general as to the wisdom of becoming part of the city, but thought that everyone would now agree it was better so.

Controller McCarthy received an ovation which spoke eloquently of the high esteem entertained for him in the district. After a few words of thanks on behalf of the board of control for the invitations extended the controller brought the house down by a little story in which Ald. McBride figured. Mr. McCarthy had gone home to find some little visitors in the house playing city council with his own little boy. One of them was so aggressive that his playmates said: "Look here, you're trying to run the whole thing."

"Well," answered the little chap, "Ain't I Alderman McBride?"

Praise for McBride.

The controller continued, however, to say that while he could not resist telling the story he wanted to say that there was no member of the council who worked harder and took a keener interest in everything concerning the welfare of the city than Ald. McBride. (Applause.)

In retrospect of his many years in public service the controller said that he had remarked that the alderman as a rule did the city's business without any sectional feeling, and he was sure that the district whose interests the association existed to promote would receive fair tribute from the present council.

City is Fortunate.

W. S. Dinnick proposed "Our City Fathers," referring with satisfaction to the fact that Saxon names were general in the city council. He thought the city was fortunate in getting men of the calibre it did in municipal life, considering the amount of unfair criticism they were often subjected to.

Ald. McBride also received a very hearty welcome when he rose to speak. He welcomed the opportunity to thank those who had voted for him and to those who didn't he wanted to say that he was going to do his work this year in a way that would ensure him their votes next election. As chairman of the transportation and street extension committee he could assure the people of North Toronto that their needs would be well attended in the matter of highways when Oriole road, Avenue road and Mount Pleasant avenue were put thru, giving three much-needed north and south highways, and the cemetery board would not be a tunnel, but would be put thru on the level.

Other Speakers.

Other addresses followed from Ald. Wickett, Robbins, Ryding, Rowland, Commissioner Harris and others. The entertainers were: Jack Slack, Geo. M. Ross, Jules Brazil and Mr. Durant, who gave two recitations.

Among those present were Geo. E. Henry, M.L.A., Aldermen McGuire, Maybee and Whetter, Property Commissioner Chisholm, H. H. Waddington, Fred Grundy, T. A. Gibson, K.C.; D. D. Reid, H. H. Ball, James Logie, John P. Patterson, E. A. James, Frank Howe, C. Murphy, J. Kleeberger, R. L. Baker, W. J. Darby, who delighted everyone by the way he led the singing, and a host of other well-known citizens, whose faces are well-known in the city's business sections.

TWO SLIGHT ERRORS.

In the interview with W. A. Clarke, clerk of York Township, in Tuesday's World, Mr. Clarke explained yesterday that there were two slight errors. In the interview Mr. Clarke was reported to have said "that the township had no power to instal water or sewerage system." Yesterday Mr. Clarke explained that the township had power, but any money bylaw for the same would have to be endorsed by the whole township, as more than a mere local improvement would be involved. In the matter of sewer connection with the city, Mr. Clarke stated that the price formerly paid to the city was four cents a lineal foot, or two cents a foot for each side of a street, and now the city wanted to raise this to twenty cents a lineal foot, or ten cents a foot frontage for each side of a sewered street.

NEWMARKET

It is to be regretted that the attendance at the Newmarket poultry show did not justify the efforts of the superintendent, who worked very hard to make the show a success.

CONTRACTOR DEAD IN WARD SEVEN

John Bingham Passed Away Yesterday From Attack of Pneumonia.

A POPULAR WEDDING

Miss Lottie Winter and W. A. Hutchinson Married at Victoria Church.

One of the prettiest weddings which West Toronto has seen took place in Victoria Presbyterian Church, Annette street, at two o'clock yesterday afternoon, when Rev. D. T. L. McKerroll, the pastor of the church, united in marriage Miss Lottie Winter, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Winter of 136 Medland street, to Mr. W. A. Hutchinson of Lonsdale avenue. The bride, who entered the crowded church on the arm of her father, by whom she was given away, was charmingly attired in white charmeuse satin trimmed with pearls and shadow lace. From her shoulders fell a long court train and the tulle bridal veil was surmounted by a coronet of orange blossoms. She carried a shower bouquet of orchids and lilies of the valley, and was attended by her sister, Miss Frankie Winter, as bridesmaid, in wedgewood blue, with touches of old rose, and wearing a black hat with blue plumes. She carried Killarney roses.

The groom was supported by Mr. C. W. Wardell and Messrs. Bert Hutchinson and Orpen Winter officiated as ushers. Mr. Percy McLean presided at the organ and played until the arrival of the bridal party, continuing softly thruout the ceremony. During the service Miss Rosalie Harris sang "Because," and while the register was being signed Mr. W. Moore also sang.

After the ceremony a reception was held at the home of the bride's mother, 136 Medland street, Mrs. Winter receiving the guests in a gown of black brocade relieved with green, and wearing a large black hat. Mr. and Mrs. Hutchinson left later in the afternoon for an extended honeymoon trip to New York and eastern cities and on their return will reside in West Toronto.

John Bingham Dead.

The death of a well-known and highly respected citizen of West Toronto occurred yesterday, when John Bingham, contractor, succumbed to an attack of pneumonia at his home, 129 Annette street. The late Mr. Bingham was in his sixty-fourth year and had been for years a member of Victoria Presbyterian Church. He leaves a widow and one married son, George of Toronto. He was in politics a staunch Conservative, and had been a member of the executive of ward seven association since its organization. He was particularly well-known in Orange circles and was a member of Wallace Black Preceptory and Golden Star L.O.L. No. 900, under whose direction the funeral will be held on Saturday afternoon.

The Annette street Baptist Church are holding their anniversary services on Sunday next. In the morning Rev. A. J. Binning will preach, and in the evening Rev. F. C. Elliott will occupy the pulpit.

NICHOLS, MACNAB SUMMONED TO BAR OF QUEBEC HOUSE

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to them if they could not substantiate what they charged.

Eventually the premier agreed and Mr. Lavergne's motion was adopted. Messrs. Nichols and Macnab will accordingly face the ordeal they are called to at Quebec on Tuesday next. Meanwhile The Daily Mail is keeping up its story of the alleged bribery. Tomorrow morning it will tell of the first visit of J. O. Mousseau to see Mr. Sampson, the detective, whom the legislature believed to be the promoter of his desired legislation. The Mail says Mr. Mousseau then—this was in November last—took the first bribe of five hundred dollars. As he put it in his inside pocket, says the report, Mr. Mousseau said, "This is very decent of you, Mr. Sampson."

"Not at all," said Sampson.

"Well," says Mr. Mousseau, "the bill will go thru sure. Leave it to me," and Mr. Sampson did.

Demand Fullest Enquiry.

Le Devoir, organ of Henri Bourassa, devotes a great deal of space to The Daily Mail's articles, quoting them in full, and this evening publishes a special edition reporting the debate and decision of the legislative assembly at Quebec to summon Messrs. Macnab and Nichols to the bar of the house on Tuesday next in relation to The Daily Mail's charges.

"The charge," says Le Devoir editorially, "is one of the most grave that have ever been made against the legislature, and that house owes to its honor that fullest enquiry be made. If the accusations are false we are in the presence of one of the foulest calumnies that were ever made. If they are true, then we are about to reveal an abyss the depth of which no person can measure."

A Two-Edged Blade.

Attention is called to the fact that under the law the offence charged against the legislature is punishable by 14 years' imprisonment, and another editorial note, believed to be from the pen of Mr. Bourassa, stated that the supporters of the Hon. Mr. Parent, formerly premier of the province, are greatly enjoying the present developments. The wound, it is added, which was inflicted in Parent's back by the traitorous blow of a friend and colleague, has not yet healed up in spite of the balm that has been applied in the shape of a lucrative appointment, and Mr. Bourassa reminds the Gouin government that he who used a knife should remember that the blade thereof is apt to cut the fingers of the man who strikes the blow."

This reference is to the fact Lomer Gouin when a member of the Parent cabinet rallied together a band of followers and overthrew Parent.

The Telegraph and Herald make no comment.

NO POOL ROOM FOR EARLSCOURT

New Moving Picture Theatre is Being Built on St. Clair Avenue.

DELAY IN TELEPHONES

Manager Dunstan Will Refund Money to Those Who Wish It.

An enjoyable euchre party and social was held last evening in the basement hall of St. Clare's School, St. Clair avenue, by the ladies of the parish, Rev. Ed. McCabe being present. A large number of the parishioners attended and friends from other parishes. The proceeds will be devoted to the new church building fund.

The Live Wires of Service class, connected with the Deer Park Presbyterian Church, St. Clair avenue, expect a large attendance of friends this evening at their entertainment, to be held in the Sunday school room of the church. The program will consist of a "Crayon and Comedy Talk" by J. W. Bengough, and will commence at 8 o'clock. This class has been thirteen years in existence, and has endowed a cot in the Sick Children's Hospital among other good works accomplished. Tonight's entertainment will be in aid of Weston Sanitarium.

Earlscourt's public library is not being neglected at headquarters, as fresh invoices of books are being received regularly. The shelves are gradually filling, and the membership steadily on the increase. The library would have a greater number of members on the roll if a road existed thru the cemetery, as at present the western section of the district is practically isolated.

No Pool Room.

A petition for a pool room license which was signed by a number of the residents in the St. Clair and Earlscourt district for the establishment of a pool room on the south side of St. Clair avenue to the west of Dufferin street has been refused, owing to the vigorous opposition of the various church organizations.

A license has been granted for a moving picture theatre, which will also give vaudeville and other entertainments, and it is said will be the largest and most up to date house in the northern section of Toronto. It is now under construction on St. Clair avenue, near Dufferin street.

Font Roll Meeting.

St. Chad's font roll, under the superintendence of Mrs. Wm. Thompson, will meet next Wednesday in St. Chad's Church, Dufferin street. Rev. H. Snartt will be present. There are eighty children on the roll at present. A sleighing party to the number of between fifty and sixty met last evening and had a most enjoyable drive in the Eglinton district, returning to the church, where supper was provided.

Sunday next will be the last of the series of services at the Royal George Theatre, Dufferin street, at which the staff band will take part. In the afternoon the service will be entitled love and sorrow, illustrated with pictures. The evening service is expected to crowd the building for the farewell service. A special temperance crusade is being organized by the Earlscourt division of the Salvation Army.

A meeting of the Earlscourt District Voters' Association executive committee was held yesterday afternoon in Dominion Bank Chambers, President Holmes presiding. The following members of the committee were present: J. J. Little, Harry Bell, J. Moon, G. E. Phillips, Alex. Orton and J. Walsh, secretary-treasurer.

Telephone Delays.

The important matter of telephone delays in the district was fully discussed. President Holmes read a copy of a letter sent to Manager K. J. Dunstan, Bell Telephone Co., since last meeting: "Dear Sir,—There have been several complaints made to the Earlscourt District Voters' Association, with regard to the long continued delays in installing telephones in this district. In some cases the parties have been paid as long ago as six months. The dissatisfaction is much aggravated by the fact that some telephones have apparently been put in in the meantime to parties who have applied at later dates. Will you kindly let me know if there is nothing which can be done to relieve this unpleasant situation. Signed M. Holmes, president."

The following is the reply from Manager Dunstan under date Jan. 12: "Dear Sir,—I beg to acknowledge yours of the 5th inst. Let me in the first place express regret that there should have been unusual delay in furnishing service to applicants in the district you name. The inconvenience to them is fully appreciated. By reason of the coming transfer of the Hillcrest office from the College building to a new exchange erected on Bathurst street it has been necessary to completely reconstruct the entire section which will be tributary to that office. Lines which now run south to the present switchboard will run north to the new one. The work involved is large and includes much underground and overhead cable. There are also problems for the engineering staff and before progress could be made certain rack accommodation had to be provided in the new structure. As it is not unusual in large works there have been unexpected delays, and it will be yet from three to four weeks before the cable work will be sufficiently advanced to give the necessary facilities. Whilst the delay has been exceptional—and as stated above much regretted—it is perhaps only fair to point out that there are only two orders dated prior to Oct. 1 for at least one of which permission to erect special poles was not received until Oct. 30, but, whether they run back six months, as you say, or only three months, it is freely admitted that service has not been furnished as promptly as either the applicants or the company would wish. With regard to the advance payments made in accordance with custom when signing the agreement it can only be said that had the delay been realized no payment would have been accepted. We will gladly return it in every case when desired, and we would wish this made clear to your association. A few circuits have become available thru subscribers terminating service or moving to another section, and these have been utilized for people in the neighborhood. You may be assured that every effort will be made to establish the connections at the earliest possible moment. (Signed) K. J. Dunstan, Manager.

A general meeting of the Earlscourt District Voters' Association will take place next Thursday evening at 8 o'clock.

Too Much Notoriety.

Considerable dissatisfaction is prevalent among the people generally in Earlscourt at the continued notoriety the district is receiving as to the amount of grinding poverty supposed to exist in its confines. A prominent Anglican gentleman of the St. Clair district complained about this to The World, saying that their community relieved those in distress, which were not very many, at any time in a congregation of between 300 and 400 persons. They have clothing and other wearing apparel to distribute when required to the needy, and the demands so far this winter were comparatively few.

14 Barbers, all First Class. J. R. Beamish & Son, opposite Eaton's.

NEWS FROM THE CITY HALL

TYPHOID OUTBREAK AT CITY LIMITS

Sanitary Conditions Make Epidemic Quite Possible, Says Ald. Graham.

REEVES WILL CONFER

With Board of Control With a View to Obtaining Toronto's Aid.

The reeves of York, Scarboro and Vaughan townships are to have a conference with the board of control next Thursday morning upon the proposition of J. T. V. May that the city and townships co-operate in getting legislation to permit the formation of police villages in the congested territory fringing upon the city. This territory is in pressing need of sanitary appliances, and wants the city to supply water and agree upon a sewerage service that will connect up with the city's system where necessary.

"Bathurst street hill district is threatened with an outbreak of typhoid fever," Ald. Graham declared to the board. "The Bathurst Hill Ratepayers' Association wants the territory north of St. Clair avenue from Bathurst to Dufferin street annexed because sanitary conditions there have become seriously dangerous. The area is very desirable and is being built up rapidly."

Assessment Too High.

A resolution adopted by the association was read to the board. It contended that the Bathurst hill district is unfairly burdened with taxation for local improvements, and that adjoining territory, which benefits from the improvements, should be annexed and made bear a share of the taxation.

"Annexation and a public park are the burning issues in the association," said John Warren, the president. "It's a wonder there has not been an outbreak of typhoid on the hill long ago, so unsanitary is the adjoining territory that we want annexed. We also want the W. J. Gage pine area purchased for a public park."

"We'll take the matter up when there is a full board," Controller McCarthy promised.

MAYOR TO CONCENTRATE ON PURCHASE QUESTION

Arrangements for New Union Station Being Rushed to Conclusion.

Mayor Hocken returned from Montreal yesterday evening, and reported that the railroads are hurrying forward their arrangements for the construction of the viaduct and Union Station. He also reported that the Dominion Government is well seized of the necessity for providing as much work as is possible for the unemployed.

"From now on I will concentrate upon settling up the matter of the clean-up of the franchises," Mayor Hocken declared. "I will give nearly all of my time to it, and any more delay must positively be unavoidable. I will see President Gundy of the board of trade at once and ask him to appoint a representative of the board on the proposed committee of citizens to investigate and report upon the proffered solutions of Toronto's transportation problem. The issue must be cleaned up, and I will stick at it until it is cleaned up."

YONGE STREET SUBWAY SHOULD BE RUSHED

Deputation From North Toronto Will See the Board of Control Today.

At the meeting of the board of control today, a deputation from the North Toronto Citizens' Association will ask that the city rush ahead the plans of the Yonge street subway, so that work may be commenced as soon as possible.

The situation is causing considerable unsettlement among the Yonge street merchants who will be affected by this work, and it is said that only monthly leases are being taken out on the stores, which is increasing the operating cost to the storekeepers.

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SIR WILLIAM MEREDITH MAY LEND HIS COUNSEL

Purchase Agreement Will Be Submitted to City Council Before March First.

The agreement of purchase for the clean-up of the franchises will probably be submitted to the city council about the end of next month. To make certain that it will provide for the clean-up of the franchises it has to be most carefully checked over and revised.

There is now no stopping the agreement of purchase going to the voters, and Mayor Hocken is watching carefully every move towards its perfection. If to attain perfection means the engagement of more special counsel to assist in the work, it is possible that Sir William Meredith would be requested to give his services. Should Sir William Meredith be asked to assist and the agreement of purchase be stamped with his approval, its perfection would go unchallenged from the city council to the provincial authorities and back to the council and the voters.

So many delays have occurred thru intensive carefulness over having the clean-up of the franchises assured that there is now the possibility that the agreement of purchase will not be voted upon by the property-owners for three or four months yet. When it reaches the city council about the end of next month it will likely be accompanied by John MacKay's final report.

Mr. MacKay's interim report was very valuable and most satisfactory. It is probable that his final report, in conjunction with the perfecting of the agreement of purchase, will still further clear the way.

TEACHERS OBJECT TO LARGE CLASSES

Board of Education Hears Deputation—Order Suspended for the Present.

WINCHESTER FINDINGS

Referred to Superintendent Bishop—Motion That He Resign Was Shelved.

Public school principals, assistant principals and teachers transformed the city council chamber last night into an indignation meeting. They thronged the floor of the chamber and crowded the galleries. They were distinctly on the war path, and applauded their spokesmen with startling outbursts of applause. They appeared before the board of education to protest against the instruction of Chief Inspector Cowley to arrange their classes with 50 pupils each, beginning on Feb. 1.

President Thompson of the Principals' Association, Principals Bennnett and Ward, declared that the order was backward, would vitiate the air, be injurious to the morals and hinder instruction, especially of the senior pupils.

The board decided that the order be suspended until after a full report upon it by the management committee.

Three motions were made respecting the report of Judge Winchester on the school contracts. Trustee Miles Vokes' motion, that the report be referred to Superintendent Bishop for an early report, carried.

The other two were left on the order paper until next meeting; one by Trustee Fairbairn was for a request for the resignation of Supt. Bishop; the other, by Trustee Ellis, proposed the engagement of a business manager to be placed in charge of the property department.

A motion for another investigation of the medical inspection department was defeated by 8 votes to 6.

NORTH TORONTO

The fire brigade was called to a fire at James Kennedy's house, 152 Glengrove avenue, yesterday at 3.30. Some floor wax, which had been set on the stove to melt, took fire, but the flames had been extinguished by the time the firemen arrived. Very little damage was done.

RIVERDALE

Thomas Melbourne, 63 Gould street, is lying in the General Hospital with a fractured leg, the result of an accident at the Riverdale slides.

NOT HALF A DOZEN WHOLLY DESTITUTE

Secretary of Social Service Commission Says There is Food for All.

MUST GIVE DETAILS

Precautions Being Taken to Weed Out Unemployed From Other Cities.

Resident married men are to have the preference in employment thru the registration bureau upon civic works. This was the policy declared by the board of control yesterday when Secretary Dickie of the Social Service Commission asked for definite instructions.

"Everyone who registers at the civic bureau is closely questioned as to whether he has neither food nor lodging, and we could not get proof that even half a dozen were so destitute," was a significant statement made by Mr. Dickie.

"Are there many outsiders coming to the city to register at the civic bureau?" Controller McCarthy queried.

"We suspect a large number, but we have difficulty as yet in getting proof," Mr. Dickie answered. He came to a definite understanding with the board that everyone who registers must fill out a card showing his last place of employment, this information to be verified by the bureau.

Supply Tools.

"How about picks and shovels?" Controller Simpson enquired.

"We are supplying them to those without money," Secretary Dickie replied.

Ald. Ryding complained that 18 men had been sent from the registration bureau to ward seven to be put to work by the foreman. The foreman had no work for them. They had supplied themselves with picks and shovels.

"There was a similar hitch on Bathurst street hill," said Controller McCarthy, "but it was straightened out in a few hours. The registration bureau is getting in better working order every day."

Many tenders for sewers were opened by the board, and contracts amounting to $165,763 were awarded. These contracts will provide considerable additional work for the unemployed.

The board has arranged with the treasury department for the prompt payment of the wages of the unemployed who work on civic works.

WANT CENTRAL CONTROL OF SOCIAL SERVICE

One Hundred Workers Held Mass Meeting and Formed Small Committee.

Nearly a hundred social service workers held a conference in the city hall yesterday afternoon over the necessity for a central controlling organization. A small committee was formed to report at another mass meeting to be held in a couple of weeks.

The west, central, east and East Toronto social conferences were well represented. These four organizations have been working along similar lines for social uplift, and now feel the necessity for a central council. All are co-operating with the Social Service Commission.

In Earlscourt is a separate organization that is expected to unite with the others soon. Another conference is to be organized in Dovercourt district. The work of these conferences is especially that of quiet and effective help to the deserving poor and unfortunate.

STOUFFVILLE

The residents of this district will soon be enjoying an up-to-date lighting system, as the council have completed all arrangements for the working of their electric plant. At the council meeting everything was reported to be in readiness for February, when the power will be turned on.

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