

HITCH WITH THE ALDERMEN: MR. ROBERTSON SAYS DOCK PROJECT MAY BE BLOCKED.

Dock Company Finds it Necessary to Have Lots Which Are Under Lease to West Side Men, as C. P. R. Declines to Give Up Tracks, and a \$100,000 Draw Bridge at Dock Entrance is the Next Thing.

There is a hitch which Geo. Robertson, M. P. P., president of the Imperial Dock Company, says may delay or prevent the building of the dock at Carleton.

It came about Wednesday afternoon at a meeting of the board of public works at which Mr. Robertson on behalf of the Dock Company asked the board to recommend that the city appropriate the \$100,000.

Mr. Robertson claims the property he wants the city to appropriate was included in the free site the city offered in the first place.

The board of works, after considering the matter, decided not to recommend the council to appropriate the property in question.

Upon reading of this action, Mr. Robertson said that about the council should be the board of works in this decision it would hold up the dock project.

As he explained to the board yesterday, the dock company's plans are of necessity changed somewhat by the attitude of the C. P. R., which will not consent to have its tracks moved from Union street.

This means that it will be necessary for the Dock Company to build a draw-bridge at an approximate cost of \$100,000 to permit at once the continued use of Union street by the railroads and city, and the entrance and exit of vessels to and from the dock.

Mr. Robertson feels that as these properties were in the original site granted by the city, the Dock Company should not be called on to pay the costs of appropriation, the surrender of leases, and the improvements.

What Transpired at the Meeting. There was a full meeting of the board and the delegation from the dock company present were George Robertson, M. P. P., Louis Coste, Thomas McHenry, Jas. Manchester and John H. Thomson.

In the absence of Chairman Christie at the beginning of the meeting Mayor White presided. The aldermen present were Messrs. Maxwell, Lewis, Macneil, Baxter, Tully, Johnson, Tilly, McFolrick, Millidge and Ballock.

Mr. Robertson said the Imperial Dock Company have now most substantial reasons why they can carry their project to a successful issue. It was a very important matter for the city, Mr. Coste, who is acting as engineer for the dock company, had, with the speaker, waited until the meeting of the board to find out the views of the railway company regarding the tracks running along Union street.

The dock company had an idea that a new entrance for the P. E. R. to Carleton Point from the city shore through Carleton might be made by a tunnel running from the southwest corner of the mill pond to the P. E. R. and that the railway could use the Rodney street side of the pond and the south side of the pond for their tracks and the tracks now running along Union street could be done away with and thus leave the entrance to the dock free.

In the discussion, Mr. McHenry, vice-president of the C. P. R., and Mr. McHenry, the engineer, and Mr. Hurst, the manager of the C. P. R. steamship business, extended themselves to the discussion of the dock project, and were greatly in favor of allowing their wharves down to the southwest along the harbor.

The only thing left for the dock company to do was to build a bridge at the entrance of the dock on Union street, and this will cost the company not less than \$100,000. The city had granted a site for the dock company and had given an exemption of taxes for forty years. It is on that resolution that the objection was presented at the meeting so that they should be no misunderstanding. The expense of the bridge would be as follows:

If arrangements are completed it will be later than November next before a start is made on the building of the dock. In making the approaches for the bridge they will require the property now leased by Sloth, Quinlan & Co.'s granite and stone yard, and the property now leased by J. P. Mosher, of St. Mary's, and about 400 or 500 feet will have to be dredged up the dock. It would be at least a year and a half before they would want the Gordon property.

Mr. Coste presented plans of the proposed dock and surroundings. He showed that from the soundings made in the Carleton mill pond the dock site is built only in one place on a rock bottom. On either side of this section the soundings show the rock to be slanting at a depth of from fourteen to sixty feet from the surface and unit for a dock bottom. The dock would be 600 feet long and capable of holding a vessel 630 feet long by having an opening at one end for the ship's bows. The entrance would be of granite and concrete on a forty foot bottom. If the company have to build the bridge it must have a 100 foot span and with this vessel of 350 feet long would have their bows in the centre of the dock bridge and the stern near the South Rodney wharf, as the dock would run on a line to the southwest from Union street.

If there was any possible way of doing away with a bridge it would be a good thing. Mr. McHenry, the C. P. R. engineer, said the only thing they wanted Union street tracks for was in view of the reaching the new wharves if built on the northern side of the mill pond. The dock is going to be a piece of work and he could not see how it could be done for 400 feet long would have their stern against the South Rodney wharf when entering the bridge. The slip would have to be dredged.

John H. Thomson said the C. P. R. did not want South Rodney wharf so particularly, it was withdrawn down the bar. Mr. Robertson said the bridge and dredging would be extra expense to the dock company. He would not retain the presidency of the company if he could not see a financial way in which they were now seeking levels to see how much earth would be taken out and on this would be used to fill up other sections of the pond and the works now on the leased ground on the northeast corner of the pond could be moved to some other location where they could find valuable property for manufacturing establishments. Mr. Robertson said Mr. Coste would be in the city until Friday afternoon. He wanted nothing unreasonable or to do anything to inconvenience the general tenants. The dock company would require this land or they could not go on with the work.

ENOCH B. COLWELL DIED THURSDAY NIGHT.

For Many Years He Was an Alderman of the City.

Was Deputy Mayor and Ran for Office of Chief Magistrate—An Extensive Dealer in Fish—He Had Been a Sufferer from Paralysis.

Enoch B. Colwell, one of the most prominent citizens of the west side, and a man who has been identified with civic affairs for the last twenty years, quietly passed away at his residence, 105 King street west, about 9 o'clock Thursday night, after a lengthy illness, of paralysis.

Since December last Mr. Colwell had been suffering, but it was not until the middle of February that he was obliged to take to his bed, and since that time his condition gradually grew worse until he passed away Thursday night. He was 67 years of age and unmarried. His father conducted a wholesale fish business in Carleton, and about the year 1879 Enoch B. Colwell entered into partnership with his father. After the father's death he took over the business, and in 1885 he was elected alderman for Guy's ward.

He held this office up to last year, with the exception of three years. He has been deputy mayor and at the time of the last civic election ran for mayor in opposition to the present chief magistrate, but was defeated.

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Deceased is survived by one brother, two sisters, three nephews and three nieces. William Colwell, brother of deceased, is an alderman. The sisters are Mrs. Alfred Boyd, of Vancouver (B. C.); Mrs. Lizzie Boyd, of New York; and Mrs. Fanny Whipple, of Worcester (Mass.).

TAXING OF BANKS.

Civic Committee and Representatives of City Monetary Institutions Confer.

The committee to consider changes in the law relating to the assessment of the banks in the city met Wednesday afternoon at the office of the chief magistrate.

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SUSPENSION BRIDGE NEW FLOORING WILL BE LAID AT NIGHT IF POSSIBLE.

Object is Not to Interfere With the Traffic, Which Averages 1500 Teams a Day—New Double Flooring to Be Put On—Busy Chief Commissioner Has a Number of Public Works Under Way.

Hon. C. H. La Billois has arranged for good attention to the suspension bridge at once. The bridge is to be given a new double flooring of birch just as soon as the lumber can be secured—about ten days, it is thought. Some was hauled to the bridge Thursday, but the work will not be begun until all is on hand and then it will be rushed. Alfred Haines, of the provincial public works department, will superintend the work, which will be done at night if possible.

Hon. Mr. La Billois will introduce a new method of sweeping the bridge. Now a man does it with a broom and sends the sweepings into the river, although some go on the sidewalk of the bridge and when men come the effect is to rot the timbers. A barrow will be provided now and the sweepings carried away. Labor, probably a sweeper to be hauled by a horse, will be introduced. Hon. Mr. La Billois inspected the bridge yesterday. He says the work of repainting will be done at night, as much as possible, if it can be arranged and this will prevent interference with traffic.

There are very few people who realize the amount of traffic there is daily across the suspension bridge. Caretaker Burns recently counted 1,900 teams crossing the bridge in one day and they are an average of about 1,500 daily. Besides this team traffic, about 4,000 pedestrians cross the bridge daily, and on fine Sundays this number is more than doubled.

Benj. Haines has gone to Little River, Madawaska county, to put up a temporary bridge there, Mr. Clair, M. P. P., reporting that it was impossible to place a ferry, because of the length of the water.

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