

night. He did not think the Town Council of St. Lambert should be backward in the matter. It was time for them to back up the Free Port idea by a resolution. The argument has been used in a public meeting held here that if Montreal South wanted water it should be annexed. Far from being against annexation, the people of Montreal South were all in favor of it.

Alderman Deschenes said he had met two of the Mayors of nearby municipalities, and he had asked if their Councils would favor such a resolution as he had proposed and they said they would wait for St. Lambert to pass the resolution first. They did not want Longueuil to take the first step.

Alderman Miligan said he was very much in favor of a Free Port and had no hesitation in supporting Alderman Deschene's resolution. He was absolutely in favor of a Free Port.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

**Mr. J. H. Rainville, M.P., Enthusiastic for Free Port.**

Mr. J. H. Rainville, M.P., said he wanted to congratulate the Council of St. Lambert upon the step they had taken with regard to the articles written in our local paper about a Free Port. The City of Montreal may not have a vacant place for a Free Port unless they go far beyond the town. We have a lot of land on this side of the river available for a Free Port area. We have the water. We are ready. They had all read with great interest the articles written by Mr. Dalby. He (Mr. Rainville) had

sent copies of them all to the Prime Minister and had notified Sir Robert Borden of his intention to bring the matter up in Parliament. Many people say that after the war will come Canada's time for business development. The Free Port would be a grand thing for Canada. It has done well for Germany at Hamburg and will do well for France at Marseilles. It may seem strange to have to go to Germany for an idea like this; but the experience of Hamburg had been most impressive. The result of making Hamburg chiefly a Free Port had been to bring immense quantities of goods to be stored and manufactured in a protected country. The South Shore would be the bonded warehouse of Canada. He congratulated the Council of St. Lambert. Its action does not bind the Town any more than it does the other towns. Mr. Dalby had been referring to him as a man who was not afraid of a new idea and he was glad that the Council was of the same turn of mind. He hoped they would study this project carefully and he was sure they would be favorably disposed to it. They might rest assured that any work outside of the organization itself that might be necessary and that he could do would not be laid aside by him. (Cheers.)

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### FREE PORT MOVEMENT GOING AHEAD.

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Great public interest is being manifested in the Free Port. We have yet to see a single man who is opposed