

MUNICIPAL HOME COMMISSIONERS HOME RULE INTO HOSPITAL AND MUNICIPAL HOME COMMISSIONERS

Special Meeting, Called Hastily, Adopts Resolutions for Preparation of Bills Taking Appointment of Five City Commissioners of Almshouse and Four Commissioners of General Public Hospital Away from the Provincial Government—Only One-Half of the Members Present.

Saturday, Feb. 20. More legislation was born in the municipal council yesterday afternoon when, at a special meeting hurriedly called for the day and attended by only eight members of the sixteen, two bills were authorized to effect home rule in both the Municipal Home and the General Public Hospital. At the present time the provincial government appoints five of the nine members of the Municipal Home commissioners and four of the nine members of the hospital commissioners. The bills adopted yesterday afternoon provide for the appointment of the nine Municipal Home commissioners by the municipal council, the other two to be appointed by the city council as at present. Provision was made, however, in both the bills to give the city preponderance on both boards, the members of each board to be residents of the city.

Warden McLellan and Coun. Potts were the only representatives of the city present at the meeting. Mayor Erik returned yesterday morning from Truro and was greatly surprised to find that he was too late for the meeting of the general committee meeting which had adopted the valuator's bill on Wednesday. The mayor said he had received notice of this meeting in due form but had mistaken the date and had traveled practically all of two nights in order to be on hand. He found much work ahead of him, however, as his office yesterday and when notice came in at 1 o'clock in the afternoon of the meeting at 9 o'clock he could not arrange to attend. Commissioners Russell and Wigmore were also busy with departmental matters and could not be present. Lancaster was not represented at the meeting.

Warden McLellan was in the chair and those present were Councilors Potts, Howard, Smith, Black, Shillington, Carson and Thompson. Municipal Home Commissioners. The bill vesting the appointment of the Municipal Home commissioners in the municipal council was first introduced. At present the government, although it makes no grant to the Municipal Home and the institution is purely one for the city and county, appoints the five commissioners residing in the city, the council naming one representative from each of the four parishes. The bill simply provides for the vesting of the appointment of the nine commissioners by the municipal council, that five must be residents of the city and one of each of the parishes, and that the present commissioners appointed by the government hold office until their term is expired. There is nothing to prevent the re-appointment of the commissioners. This bill was adopted without division. Coun. Potts brought forward the resolution making the General Public Hos-

HOPES ELECTION DURING WAR "WILL NOT BE NECESSARY"

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Mr. Hughes did not endeavor to influence some of his friends in the senate at this time. Mr. McLean suggested to Sir Robert Borden that the resolution should be re-introduced this session, in hope that the senate might let it pass. G. W. Kyle, of Richmond, stated that the resolution was safeguarding Prime Minister Borden, who would be elected in the event of a redistribution bill, instead of to a resolution in regard to western senators, it would have passed the senate.

Sir Robert Borden contended that the report of the redistribution committee, recommending that the representation in the commons for the younger age be less than in the senate, should have been accepted, unless there were cogent reasons for otherwise acting in regard to it. He contended that the resolution of the killing of the resolution upon the senate alone. The prime minister in conclusion, promised to consider Mr. McLean's suggestion, but a resolution be re-introduced this session.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier recalled that this question had been discussed in parliament as long ago as 1881, and since then all governments and parties had dealt with it. He said that he was satisfied the only way in which it could deal with the question was through the imperial government. Prime Minister Borden was asked to take up the question of the representation in the commons for the younger age. Mr. Borden said that he had no objection to the question being taken up, but that he would not take up the question of the representation in the commons for the younger age. He said that he had no objection to the question being taken up, but that he would not take up the question of the representation in the commons for the younger age.

WILL INQUIRE INTO EVE LYN CASE BUT NO ACTION IS EXPECTED

President and His Advisers Think It Would Be Impossible to Do Much Unless Proof Were Had As to the Identity of the Mine—One Man Frozen to Death.

Washington, Feb. 22.—President Wilson conferred with Secretary Bryan tonight concerning the destruction of the American steamer off the coast of Germany last Friday, but in the absence of definite information, as to the cause of the wreck, no course of action, beyond diplomatic inquiry was decided upon.

Having learned unofficially that a part of the Evelyn's crew, when cast adrift from the sinking vessel, headed for the coast of Holland, Secretary Bryan called to American Minister, Henry Van Dyke, at The Hague, the same message he previously had sent to Ambassadors Page and Gerard, at London and Berlin, asking that every care be extended to the crew, and a investigation of the facts of the occurrence be made through all available agencies.

The Hague, via London, Feb. 22, 8.30 p.m.—Inquiry of the coast guard stations in North Holland, have brought the reply that nothing has been seen or heard of that part of the crew of the American steamer Evelyn who were reported to have proceeded for Holland after the steamer was blown up. A very dense fog prevailed throughout yesterday and today along the coast. The Dutch Marine Department also inquired of the coast guard stations concerning the missing men of the Evelyn's crew. Not Reported.

CLERGYMAN KILLED ON FIRING LINE

Lively Discussion in England About Parsons Enlisting as Soldiers—Many Theological Students in the Ranks.

London, Feb. 22.—Coincident with the news of the death of the first clergyman killed in the war, Rev. Captain Lionel Studt, curate of Holloway, the question of should a parson fight is the subject of much discussion, the Times having two columns of correspondence today. Many able-bodied clergy state that they cannot urge loyalty without showing it, but the bishops and the more conservative type of churchmen hold that such clergy should be content to proceed to the front as chaplains, or Red Cross workers.

It is a fact that the theological colleges, both Anglican and Non-Conformist, have been seriously depleted. The Wesleyan Methodist conference has decided to raise money for the war, and the St. Lawrence, in connection with the Empire of Ireland disaster. When asked by C. P. R. officials for information in regard to the clergy who had been engaged by the St. Lawrence people and could report only to Mr. Graham wished to know why information secured by a government official for the purpose of the St. Lawrence people, and not for a Canadian one in reply, Hon. J. D. Hanson promised to secure information, and bring the matter before the house adjourned at 10.30.

OBITUARY

Mrs. W. H. Young.

Digby, Feb. 18.—The funeral of the late Mrs. W. H. Young, Brightwood, aged 76 years, took place at 11 o'clock this morning at the Baptist cemetery in Barton, the services being conducted by Rev. A. E. McLeod, pastor of the St. Mary's Bay Baptist church. Mrs. Young died at her home in this village, Tuesday morning, aged 76 years, 10 months and 15 days. She had been post-mortem for more than half a century and had a large circle of friends at home and abroad. Her husband died many years ago. She leaves two sons, Joseph and Norman at home, three grand-children and one great-grandchild, and a large circle of other relatives.

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Mrs. Eliza Crawford.

At her home in Jonston, Queens Co., on the morning of Feb. 19, Mrs. Eliza Crawford, widow of James Crawford, died at the age of 86 years. She was a great sufferer for the last five years, but bore her sufferings with marked patience and Christian fortitude. She was a long resident of Johnston and will be missed by many friends. She leaves two daughters, Mrs. Wm. Simpson of Renfrew, Kings Co., and Mrs. James A. Ward of Ashland, N. H., and two sons C. N. Crawford and J. A. Crawford of Jonston, besides a large circle of friends. The funeral service was conducted on Monday afternoon in St. Paul's Episcopal church by Rev. C. A. S. Warner. Interment was made in the Church of England cemetery.

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George F. Case.

Friday, Feb. 19. At the advanced age of seventy-nine years Geo. F. Case also yesterday morning at his home 100 1/2 Elliott Row, after an illness dating from last November. He was a particularly well known citizen. A native of Wickham, N. B., Mr. Case came to St. John some forty-five years ago and entered the employ of the Eastern Express Company, with which he remained until it was taken over by the Canadian Express Company and he continued in the employ of the latter, a trusted and efficient official, until about three years ago, when he retired with superannuation honors.

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George A. Robinson.

The death of George A. Robinson, a native of Digby, took place at the Home for Incapacitated Saturday morning. He was well known throughout the province, having served at one time as manager of the Albert Railway. Previous to this, he was employed with the Western Union Telegraph Company, and before taking about ten years ago, which necessitated his retirement from active life, he held the position of postmaster for Digby. His wife, who was Miss Elizabeth, died in January. Three daughters, one son and three brothers survive. The daughters are Mrs. Hagas, New York; Mrs. DeLennie, Elizabeth, New Jersey; Miss Edith, New York. Bertram Robinson, of New York, is a son. The brothers

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HOPES FOR CHANGE

London, Feb. 23.—Viscount Bryce, lecturing at London University on Race Sentiment as a Factor in History, traced the origin of the present war to feelings of racial consciousness and national vanity developed during the past century and a half by the American and French revolutions. "Racial war," said Viscount Bryce, "has now led to a war of fratricide of such a scale as the world has never seen. There is ground for hope that this tendency toward the development of racial feeling and the exaggeration of national consciousness may not increase. Years of exhaustion must follow the present measureless destruction of life and property, and economic issues will leave little time for the development of racial rivalry."

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