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APPROVAL OF THE BUSINESS RESTRICTIONS

Bill Recommended to Council at Committee Meeting — Main Street Paving Discussed.

The common council in committee yesterday approved the bill relating to business restrictions and it will be sent to the legislature. The paving of Union street, West, was again laid over for further information; authority was given for the laying of a sewer in Adelaide street; paving for Main street was discussed and the commissioner of public works was asked to present to the council more information about the cost. Engineer Murdoch reported that the cost of the North End survey to date had been \$11,537 and there would be some further expenditures.

The mayor presided and all the commissioners were present.

The first matter dealt with was the Union street, West, paving. Road Engineer Halliday reported that the work should be done at once.

Commissioner McLellan thought that if some small temporary repairs were made the permanent work might be delayed and a motion to postpone action was carried. Commissioner Fisher dissented.

Commissioner Wigmore asked for authority to replace a wooden sewer in Adelaide street with terra cotta pipe at a cost of \$350. This was necessary as the street between Main and Metcalfe was to be paved.

Commissioner McLellan objected to this as he claimed that any money spent in the North End for paving should be spent on Main street.

Commissioner Fisher claimed that the council had turned down his plans for the paving of Union street, West, and it was pointed out that his proposals in that respect were only part of a larger plan.

Commissioner Wigmore favored permanent paving for Main street as the cost of repairs would be equal to the interest on the bonds.

Commissioner Russell said that the plans for Main street had been approved two years ago.

After some discussion Commissioner Fisher was asked to present to the council definite information regarding the nature and cost of the temporary repairs he proposed making to the lower end of Main street.

The motion in regard to the sewer was adopted.

It was decided to postpone any action regarding the paving of Union street, West, until after a public meeting which was to be in the Board of Trade rooms had been heard from.

Engineer Murdoch presented his report in connection with the balance of the survey. The cost to date had been \$11,537 and there was some further work yet to be done. The field work was all done by owing to the loss of his draughtsman the balance of the work had been held up, and he recommended that this work be over until another draughtsman could be secured.

The report was laid on the table for further information.

The bill respecting "business restrictions" was accepted and recommended to the council with an amendment raising the penalty for violation. The bill is as follows:

1. In this act the expression "street" means and includes any street, highway, square or place used as a public thoroughfare in the City of Saint John.

"Residential" means and includes dwelling houses, churches and professional offices when the latter are contained in buildings occupied as dwelling houses.

2. The City of Saint John may make by-laws for declaring any street or part of a street to be a residential street and for declaring any area bounded by street lines to be a residential area; provided that no such by-law shall declare any portion of a street less than four hundred feet in length on one side of such street or less than two hundred feet on both sides of such street to be a residential street or unless at least seventy-five per cent. of the frontage of the land abutting on such street is frontage of land occupied for residential purposes only.

3. The said City may also by by-law provide that the inspector of buildings shall not issue any permit for the erection of a building upon land abutting upon a residential street unless such building shall be of a residential character and may prohibit the use or occupation any building erected upon land abutting upon a residential street for other than residential purposes.

4. The said City may also make by-laws for regulating and controlling the location, erection and use of buildings as livery, boarding or sales stables and stables in which horses are kept for hire or kept for use with vehicles in conveying passengers or for express purposes and stables for horses for delivery purposes, laundries, garages, butcher shops, stores, factories, blacksmith shops, forges, dog kennels, hospitals or infirmaries for horses, dogs or other animals and for prohibiting the erection or use of building for all or any or either of such purposes within any definite area, except, or on land abutting on any defined highway or part of a highway.

5. No by-law shall be enacted by virtue of this act except upon a vote of not less than four members of the common council of the said city, nor shall any such by-law apply to a building which was on the date of the passage of such by-law erected or used for any of the purposes mentioned in said by-law so long as the said building shall continue to be used as it was used on the day of such passage.

6. The said City may also in and by any of such by-laws impose penalties not exceeding the sum of ten dollars for each day during which such violation continues upon any person

HOW PROVINCE CAN ASSIST TO FEED EMPIRE

Farmers Should Raise Every Calf and Lamb and Utilize Surplus Hay Crop and Waste Pasturage.

From the preparations being made the farmers of New Brunswick evidently intend this season to keep up their potato acreage and by taking good care of their growing crop to have a large surplus of very excellent food material for those who need it, but this is only, so to speak, a minor branch of farm production.

In Nova Scotia the slogan is being raised "Grow a Million Bushels of Wheat for 1917." This cry should apply with equal force to the North Shore and Upper St. John River counties of New Brunswick, but there is still another branch where this province can shine.

The hay producing sections of the province are today full of unsold hay. Much of it the very best of fodder, but not saleable as market demands go now. There is also every indication at the present time for another large hay crop in 1917. This means a surplus of fodder that should be turned to account. There is also a large amount of pasturage which, during late years, has been only partially used.

Therefore, it would seem that the farmers of New Brunswick, especially in Westmorland, Albert, Kings, Queens, Sunbury, York, Carleton and Victoria, should make every effort to produce meats and dairy products to help out the food shortage.

Let every breeding female be retained, and every ewe lamb kept. In 1914 the Provincial Statistics showed 253,273 cattle, 142,141 sheep, and 83,167 swine in the province, while for 1916 there were only 247,609 cattle, 138,883 sheep and 82,847 swine, and yet in 1914 there were only 777,000 tons of hay compared to 850,000 in 1916.

Prices are temptingly high for calves and lambs, it must be admitted, but let us start to increase the supply and not kill the goose that lays the golden egg, for scarcity, world wide scarcity, of meats and dairy products there must be, no matter what the New Brunswick market may do.

The objection may be raised that we should not encourage the keeping of stock when grains and their products are so scarce, but here let me say that with our cattle and sheep can be grown with very little grain food. With clover hay, young cut and well cured and an abundance of turnips, beef, milk, mutton and wool can be well and economically made in this province. With from 10 to 20 pounds of skim milk per day, 100 pounds ground oats and 20 pounds of grain, preferable oats, wheat, bran and cornmeal mixed, a calf can be started and well fed until it will thrive on pasture or clover hay and turnips.

Lambs can be brought up without grain and they will produce wool, and when it is desired to make them into mutton, 50 pounds of grain each, in addition to hay and roots will finish them into prime carcasses.

Therefore it should be urged:—

1. That every calf should be reared; males castrated and fed for beef and every ewe lamb should be reared and information sent to the Provincial Department of Agriculture as to how many are for sale. Hundreds of farmers want to buy breeding sheep this year.

2. That all steers of dairy breeds should be sold for beef at a year or eighteen months.

3. That the Dominion Live Stock Commissioner and the Provincial Department of Agriculture should redouble their efforts to enable every farmer to be the services of the best male animals for the improvement of herds and flocks, and should assist in the placing of stocks in those districts where it is especially needed.

Prof. J. W. Mitchell, Provincial Live Stock Commissioner, Fredericton, is inviting all who want stock and farmers to let him know what they are to do our part in winning the War.

These, I believe, to be some of the lessons of the times and the duties of the hour to be observed and acted upon by New Brunswick today, if we are to do our part in winning the War.

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When it is remembered that practically the whole of Belgium is behind the German lines, its people suffering no less than those of France, the duty of everyone not actually fighting Britain's and Belgium's battles is clear, namely, to support the commission as long as Belgian women and children depend upon it for their very lives, as they do today. Send a contribution to the nearest relief committee, or direct to the Belgian Relief Fund, 59 St. Peter Street, Montreal.

THE POLICE COURT.

Yesterday in the police court Roy Clarke was remanded on the charge of being drunk, obscene, profane, assaulting and doing bodily harm to Policeman Gosselin, also escaping from custody.

Two boys, charged with beating another boy, were sent home with some sound advice.

The case against G. Parker for having liquor on his Mill street premises was adjourned until next Monday.

Han Chong was charged with stealing \$90 from R. W. Scott. Scott testified that he had been leaving laundry in Chong's place for the past three years. On Thursday afternoon last he took a pair of trousers to Chong's at 42 St. James' street, and overlooked the fact that he had \$90 in bills in the pants when he received them.

Chong if he found the money and the Chinese said there was no money in the pants when he received them.

In answer to E. S. Ritchie the defendant's counsel, Scott denied that he had offered to settle the case with Chong for \$50.

Han Chong testified that he was not guilty of stealing the money and while in a room off the court with Scott the latter asked him to settle for \$50.

Detective Duncan testified that he searched the laundry and found five one dollar bills in the trousers pocket folded up as Scott claimed he usually folded his money. The magistrate said that as the evidence was all circumstantial he would allow the defendant out on \$200 bail.

A woman who is an old offender was sent to the Home of the Good Shepherd for a term on the charge of begging.

Nick Jager, charged with using abusive language to Mrs. John Wells, was given his freedom on the non-appearance of Mrs. Wells.

Nick Jager, known as "No. 2" in the court, remanded on a charge of stealing a watch, was sent back to jail until today.

Private Reid Hill was charged with being implicated with other soldiers in breaking Patrick Sullivan's saloon window, and stealing liquor and cigarettes.

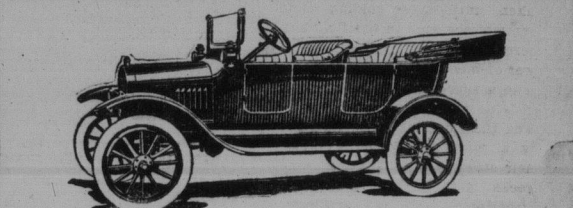
Patrick Sullivan gave further evidence, saying that there was three soldiers in front of his shop when he looked out the window from upstairs, following the noise of breaking glass in his shop. He could not recognize Hill as being the third soldier. The window was valued at \$38. The prisoners were remanded.

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