

BOARD OF WORKS HAS BUSY SEASON

Contracts for Work and Supplies Are Awarded

PARADISE ROW STREET CAR SERVICE

Ad. Pickett Says Company Has Broken Faith—Union Teamsters to Get Snow-hauling Work—Sand Point Heating.

At the meeting of the board of works Tuesday, tenders were awarded for feed for the street department, for heating the warehouses at Sand Point, and for repairing Rodney wharf. It was decided to give union teams the preference in removing snow this winter—the rate to be the same as last year. A recommendation to purchase a strip of land between Spring street and Burpee avenue for the construction of a sidewalk was passed. Numerous other matters were dealt with. Ald. Christie occupied the chair, and Ald. Lewis, Ham, Vanwart, Holder, Sprout, McGoldrick, Bullock, Pickett and MacRae, with the recorder, director, engineer, harbor master, street superintendent and common clerk, were present.

The chairman asked the engineer for information as to the subsidence of the Smith building in Union street. The engineer said it had settled about two feet in the year. He thought the whole structure might be in the water in a few hours.

The chairman remarked if dredging did not stop the whole street would soon be gone.

Ald. Holder, as a member of the committee appointed to see how the property, said he could find no one to buy it.

Ald. Bullock—"What is it worth?" The director—"Not so much as it was a week ago."

The matter was left to the former committee with the director and engineer, to take whatever steps were thought necessary.

Tenders Opened.

Tenders were opened for supplies to the street department. A. C. Smith & Co., C. H. Peters' Sons, and W. Donovan tendered for hay, bran, and straw.

The tender for hay at \$10.85, and A. C. Smith & Co.'s offer was accepted for bran at \$23.50, straw at \$8.90, and oats at 48 cents. Mr. Donovan did not enclose a check.

Tenders for the supply of 144,000 feet of timber for Rodney wharf were opened. The kind of wood was not specified, and delivery was called for next April.

Geo. McKean offered spruce at \$14, Stetson, Cutler & Co. spruce at \$15.50, and J. S. Gregory hemlock at \$11 and pine or spruce at \$13.

On the recommendation of the director, Mr. Gregory's offer for pine was accepted. Amended tenders for heating the warehouses at Sand Point were considered.

The tenders had been sent back that the offices in No. 4 might be estimated separately. John S. Coughlan tendered for \$1000, J. H. Dooey, \$1000, and R. E. Fitzgerald, \$1000. Mr. Fitzgerald, in a letter, complained of the unfairness of the board in not awarding the contract in the first instance and making any change required afterwards.

He protested that his competitors now knowing his figures, which were originally the lowest, could underbid him.

The contract was awarded to Mr. Coughlan.

The recorder mentioned that he had received notice that an action for damages against the city brought by a lady to Carleton for injuries, was about to be revived. He understood the case was withdrawn two years ago for Ald. Lewis to see the parties and attempt a settlement.

Ald. Lewis was understood to say that he received such a warm reception from the lady when he attempted to negotiate that he withdrew.

The recorder referred to negotiations with the street railway to draw up a contract covering the laying of tracks on the south side of King square to Union street, and from Union street to Stanley street. The secretary, he said, had refused to accept the clause calling on them to keep the tracks in repair from gutter to gutter, and he suggested that they should try to reduce their attempt to lay out the tracks on the subject repealed at the next session of the legislature.

Ald. Pickett accused the company of breaking faith with the board. They undertook to run four cars on Paradise row, giving a five minute service, and they were only running a seven minute service with three cars. The residents were much dissatisfied.

After further discussion the matter was left to a committee to see the street railway people and report to the council.

The agreement with the C. P. R. as to retaining the tracks at Sand Point was left to Ald. Bullock, MacRae and Vanwart, with the recorder, director and engineer.

Ald. MacRae referring to the heating of the warehouses moved that the companies to whom the sheds were allocated for the season be notified that they would be required to pay for the accommodation including the charges of the C. P. R. for steam. The amount is about \$85.50, carried.

Ald. Bullock moved that the insurance companies be approached with a view to reducing the insurance rate at Sand Point in consequence of the installation of a stand pipe and steam heating. Carried.

The Teamsters' Union and the Snow.

A communication was received from the teamsters' union asking for confirmation of the terms for removing snow in force last year. Single teams then received \$2.50 and double teams \$4 a day. The union said they had decided to admit any applicants for membership in future on payment of the fee and asked the board to deal with them in a body.

The recorder in reply to a question said the board could only deal with persons as rate payers.

Ald. McGoldrick moved that the director be instructed to hire union teams at last year's rates.

The chairman did not think the union should be mentioned in the resolution.

Ald. MacRae moved an amendment that the rates remain the same.

Ald. Sprout thought the union were only standing out for their rights and should be protected.

Ald. MacRae said he had no objection to the union or their object to obtain fair remuneration, but the city could not be discriminated.

Ald. Pickett referred to the union horses and teams as being better equipped, and urged they should be given the preference.

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Montreal Laborers Will Be Sent Back as Contracts Expire

No More Freight or Ships to Be Diverted from the Port, But Winter Schedule of Sailings To and From Here Will Be Carried Out—Men's Decision Came at Union Meeting, Following Public Assemblage in Berryman's Hall, Which Was An Extraordinary Gathering in Many Ways—Why the Strike Collapsed.

The 'longshoremen's strike is over.

The men decided Tuesday to return to work at the old rate—dirty cents an hour. They so informed Messrs Allan and Gear who expressed willingness to settle on that basis. This agreement will be ratified this morning. The Montreal men will be sent home as their contracts expire, and the longest contract is for two weeks.

The local men will thus soon be doing what work there is, and no more ships or freight will be diverted from St. John.

The best interests of the port and of the 'longshoremen are preserved by the settlement arranged.

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LOCAL OPPOSITION LEADERS IN SESSION START ORGANIZATION

Appointment of W. W. Hubbard as Permanent Secretary and Organizer

CONVENTION AT SUSSEX TALKED OF

Situation Discussed at Gathering in York Theatre, Attended by Men from City and Counties; Committee to Act as Advisory Committee to the Organizer.

Representative men, subscribers to the organization fund of the local opposition, met in session in York Theatre Tuesday afternoon in response to a call from J. D. Hazen, leader of the opposition in New Brunswick. They confirmed the appointment of W. W. Hubbard as organizer, discussed the general situation and talked of a provincial convention.

Col. H. Montgomery Campbell, of Apolaki, was called to the chair and Mr. Hubbard was appointed secretary of the meeting.

Mr. Hazen reported to the meeting that, acting under authority of the resolution adopted by the opposition during the last session of the legislature, W. W. Hubbard had been appointed permanent secretary and organizer of the opposition party and had entered upon his duties July 20 last.

A resolution was adopted approving Mr. Hubbard's appointment and appointing the following as an advisory committee to act with him on all matters affecting organization: J. D. Hazen, M. P., P. E., G. I. Clarke, M. P., P. E., of Charlottetown; Robert Maxwell, M. P., P. E., St. John; B. Frank Smith, M. P., P. E., Carleton county; John Morrisey, M. P., P. E., Northumberland; Capt. J. B. Macleod, Moncton; Miles E. Agar, St. John; Col. H. M. Campbell, Apolaki.

A general discussion concerning organization was indulged in and short addresses were delivered by Mr. Hazen, Dr. Thos. Walker, W. S. Fisher, Donald Morrison, M. P., P. E., of New Brunswick; W. C. H. Grimmer, M. P., P. E., and George J. Clarke, M. P., P. E., of Charlottetown; Frank B. Black, of St. John; J. E. Masters, of St. John; Geo. B. Jones, of Apolaki; G. W. Ganong, M. P., P. E., of St. Stephen; H. W. Woods, of Westford; J. E. Wilson and Mr. P. E. of St. John. Expressions of opinion were all favorable to opposition at the next election and there was also a feeling expressed in favor of holding a provincial conference, and a similar meeting of the local opposition.

The next general election, it was felt, would be a desirable place for the gathering.

A vote of thanks to R. J. Armstrong for use of the rooms was passed by the meeting.

MRS. ROGERS' LAST HOPE SHATTERED

United States Supreme Court Rules It Has No Jurisdiction in the Case.

Washington, Nov. 27.—The Supreme Court of the United States decided today it is without jurisdiction in the case of Mrs. Rogers, who has been suing the state of Vermont for the murder of her husband. The effect of the decision will be to end the case.

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BRILLIANT CHURCH WEDDING AT FREDERICTON

Harold L. Shaw Weds Sarah Snowball, Daughter of Senator Thompson

Methodist Edifice Crowded With Society People from Many Places—Handsome Presents for Popular Couple—Marchioness of Donegal a Guest.

Fredericton, Nov. 29.—(Special)—The Methodist church was the scene of a brilliant society wedding this afternoon when Sarah Snowball, second daughter of Hon. Senator and Mrs. Thompson, was led to the altar by Harold Lefroy Shaw of Montreal, secretary of the Imperial Life Assurance Company of Canada.

The church was prettily decorated for the occasion with potted plants and cut flowers, and was crowded to its fullest capacity with interested guests, including about fifty invited guests. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Dr. Rogers, pastor of the church, the choir under the leadership of Prof. Harrison, rendering several beautiful and appropriate hymns. The bridemaids were Miss Nan Thompson, sister of the bride, and her cousin Miss Laura Snowball of Chatham, while Thomas B. Blair, manager of the Royal Bank at St. John, was best man. The ushers were: Charles H. Allen, F. E. Winslow, and Alex.