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First News Section BRANTFORD DAILY COURIER

FORTY-FOURTH YEAR MR.W.P. KELLETT WHO NEARLY OUTBID CITY FOR RAILWAY. OF COURSE, OPPOSES BY-LAW

Expected Boomerang Drops Today in Form of an Eleventh Hour Letter to the Press-Says He Represented Interests Friendly to C.P.R. in His Offer

The following communications are interest, and very little enlightenment the maze of figures published by the editors of the Courier and Expositor, volanatory:

Ratepayers of the City of the Mayor and the several aldermen ratepayers on these very of the following article was

me to Mayor Spence yes-For instance, in the editorial of the so that he might Brantford Courier of March 14th ient time to fully conside nd the following:

any statements contain-"The debt which it is proposed to ith which he does no create is \$270,000. This includes the fours very truly first mortgage bonds of \$125,000, and WM. P. KELLETT. the balance is to be paid in the matter

rantford. March 10th. 1014. of improvements and needed exten-The debentures to be issued the Courier: ions. short time ago the Brand are for thirty years, and during that ier made the announcemen period the sum of \$4,814 will have to raised per annum for sinking fund uld be ready of any one opposed to the and \$12,150 for interest, or \$16,940 in of the Grand Valley and

Street Railways by the In an editorial published in the I therefore purpose Brantford Expositor of March 16th, of this opportunity the editor of the Courier is corrected ore the ratepayers of this as follows facts and figures which

he absolutely correct.

"THE STREET RAILWAY PURCHASE.

irst be clearly understoo "On Saturday last, dealing with the posing the purchase Valley and Brantford Street Railway by-law, the Courier by the municipality sole

" The debt which it is proposed t standpoint of a ratepave create is \$270,000. This includes the the financial interests which irst mortgage bonds of \$125,000, and resented in making my railways, the Lake Incie and the balance is to be paid in the mathern Railway Company, nor any ter of improvements and needed ex railway has ever requested m

"As a matter of fact, the \$270,000 ose this purchase, in opposed to the purchase for which the ratepayers are being asked to vote does not include the firs reason that I think I am inti nortgage of \$125,000, which will renately acquainted with the facts and gures of the case, and for the reamain as a charge against the road and the city. Therefore, while the cash that I do not believe that this utto a the part of the city fill is within the next fiftern only \$270,000, the actual cost of the oad to the city will be \$395,000, for g like a paying basis. rom the earnings of the railway t think I can lay claim ledge of the affairs of the Brant nterest on the first mortgage Street and Grand Valley Rail have to be met, and eventually the equal at least to that of the nortgage will have to be paid off b Aldermen and other gentlethe city.

the are advocating this / pu the fact that I was prepar chase the street railway at First Mortgage bonds ... very close to the successful big 270,000.00 By-law to purchase irchase. This is a very reasonable Frontage charges to mature quiry, and one which I proposed 40.849.45 paving answer, I hope, to your entire satis \$435,849.45 Total of The Brantford Street Railway, to The above figures were furnished gether with the proposed extension ne by Mr. A. K. Bunnell, City Treasgive access to factories arer, and should, therefore, unless Brantford having an in-bound and contradicted by Mr. Bunnell, be acut-bound tonnage of from 9,000 to epted by the ratepayers as an au-10,000 cars per annum. hentic statement of the exact indebt-It is a well-known fact that Brant dness to be assumed. ord is one of the principal centres for How Money is to be Expended. the manufacture of agricultural im I understand that the \$270,000.00 plements, which are marketed princi pally in the Canadian Northwest. If to be voted by the ratepaythe Canadian Pacific Railway, for in- ers is to be expended as stance, could secure access to this follows: tonnage via the Lake Erie & North- The city's offer for the railway.\$90,100.00 ern Railway and the Brantford Street Railway, it should obtain at least one Street Railway's third of this tonnage, or say 3000 cars indebtedness to the city 27,079.00 per annum. In offering to purchase the Brant-Mortgage on ford Street Railway I represented fin-Brant Ave. car ancial interests friendly both to the. 900.00 barn Lake Erie & Northern Railway and Mortgage on the Canadian Pacific Raliway. 1.500.00 power house 2. It requires no very acute busines Accrued interest telligence to realize that if this tonon first mortnage could be secured, the interests gage bonds ... 3,125.00 ontrolling the Brantford Street Rail-- 122,704.00 BRANTFORD, CANADA, FRIDAY, MARCH 20, 1914

GHEAT BRITAIN DIVIDED OVER PREMIER'S HOME RULE OFFL. MAYOR SPENCE EXPLODES LAST

103.617 ULSTER 15 HOME RULERS CONNAUGHT OP 645.000 ELECTORATE OF 173,462 EPRESENTED BY 28 HOME RULERS 5020 REPRESENTED 2 UNIONIST LEINSTER MUNSTER POP 1,160,328 1.033.085 ECTORATE OF 148.415 THEIR REPRESENTA IN BRITISH PARLIAMENT FROM THE SPHERE THE RIGHT HO H H ASOUITH

The possibility of a settlement of the Irish home rule controversy is again in the forefront of popular interest. The possibility of a settlement of the frish home rule controversy is again in the forefront of popular interest. The opinions of the various parties as to the effect of the concessions offered in the House of Commons by Premier Asquith differed widely. The unionists, as a rule, expressed themselves quite dissatisfied with the suggested method of voting by counties on the exclusion of Ulster or portions of it from the operation of the Home Rule bill. National-lists declared that the Cabinet had gone to the most extreme limit in its movement toward conciliation. The independent opinion of the country seems inclined of the feeling that the concessions really offer an oppor-funity for conciliation, and this feeling is strengthened by Sir Edward Carson's counter offer on behalf of the Ulster motonists to submit the concessions to an Ulster conference arrowided the limitation on the conversion of the Ulster

unionists to submit the suggested concessions to an Ulster conference, provided the limitation on the exclusion of the authors counties to a period of six years be stricken out. Mr. John Redmond, the Irish nationalist leader, said his party was willing to make great sacrifices for peace,

but the Premier had gone to the extreme limit of concessions.



Mr. W. P. Kellett Has Repeatedly Made Offer to Take Railway From City at City's Price, Providing, of Course, That Franchise Was Thrown in.

HOUR ATTEMPT TO BEAT THE

RAILWAY PURCHASE BY-LAW

98 COLUMNS

ONE CENT

Mayor Spence, when seen this morning regarding the eleventh-hour letter from Mr. W. P. Kellett, which he received last night, and which is published to-day, made the observation that no one would be stampeded by any declaration or maze of figures from Mr. Kellett in the last hour of act. "Why," said the Mayor, "since the city got the option on the road, outbidding Mr. Kellett by a small margin, Mr. Kellett has repeatedly told me that the interests he represents will take the road at the very figure which Brantford is paying for it, and assume all the obligations due the city by the old company besides. Of course, that would mean the continuation of the 38-year franchise rights to Mr. Kellett's company, and ratepayers will have a chance on Monday to say whether such privileges will continue to be given away or not. I am decidedly of the opinion that the ratepayers will wipe out the franchise in no uncertain way."

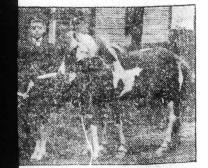
Continuing, the Mayor said :- "All the figures in Mr Kellett's letter are based on the past income of the railway -an income derived from a crippled management, cheesebox traps on square wheels, and an uncertain service. If the city spends a reasonable amount on improvements and extension, making the railway one on which citizens can depend for a better service, will anybody in their sane senses not have sufficient reason to expect an increase in the revenue? Mr. Kellett's figures are those of a bankrupt concern, a bankrupt caused by a species of high finance and bond-selling, the proceeds from which never went into the road, but in some promoter's pocket. There isn't a ratepaver who does not believe that the street railway revenue can be largely increased if people are given some sort of a service and a value for their money.

"Moreover," continued the Mayor, "Mr. Kellett figures on a deficit of \$15,000 from civic operation. He says in his letter that he figured 3,000 cars of freight could be hauled annually from local factories over city lines to the L. E. & N. railway, thence to the C.P.R. The haulage of this freight is worth from \$5 to \$8 per car at this end. If Mr. Kellett proposed to have the freight hauled over Brantford streets, why can't the city do the same thing? The revenue therefrom will wipe out Mr. Kellett's alleged deficit at once.

"The deal cannot be such a terribly bad one, anyway. judging by Mr. Kellett's anxiety to get hold of the road,' concluded the Mayor.



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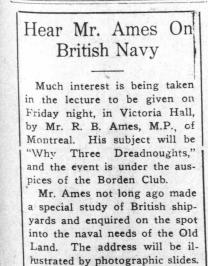
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vay could well afford to absorb a very onsiderable loss in the operation o that company. Debt Proposed to be Assumed by the

City. I have read with very considerab



f the old portions of existing tracks and the extensions required to be nade by the Brantford Street Railway among which were the extensions o Terrace Hill and Eagle Place eoether with new single truck P. A L. E. cars. The extension to Terrace Hill 1 nave laid out as a stub line along the ollowing streets Beginning at the orner of St. Paul's avenue and Dun-

das street, along Dundas street to Admission will be free and Clarence street, thence down Clarladies are cordially invited. (Continued on Page 14).

eaving a balance of \$147,296.00

This balance, I understand, is to be

of 10 single truck P.A.Y.E. cars, and

he building of etxensions to Eagle

No accurate figures have yet been

given as to what this reconstruction

of old line, purchase of cars and ex-

tensions to Eagle Place and Terrace

Prior to putting in my offer to pur-

hase the Brantford Street and Grand

Jalley Railways I prepared a very

areful estimate of the reconstruction

Place and Terrace Hill.

Hill will cost.

A VFRY HOSTILF N

Danger of An Outbreak, According to Dispatches Received To-day, is Both Apparent and Real-Debate in the House of Commons on Thursday Was Most Acrimonious---Fighting Spirit of Both Sides is Aroused---Civil War May Eventuate --- Eyes of the World Watch With Grave Interest the Outcome of Greatest Crisis in the History of the British Empire in Many Years.

NEW YORK, March 20-A cable usual activity among the Ulster vol- | for the formulation of the Prime Min-The Tribune from London says; unteers. Forty members of the motor ister's recent suggestions as to Ulste of the present lines, for the purchase With startling suddenness the outlook under scoret order

Unionists are convinced that the

is now only a matter of days. A authorities are contemplating some Carson at Beliast. rumor was current last night that the coup. It is stated in military circles British Government is preparing for that the government has a comprehensive scheme of pouring extra ince. The atmosphere in Ulster it- troops into the province within 24 hours and for holding all strategical Important revelopments may occur points by an overwhelming force. The officers commanding in the different districts received their in-

A Dramatic Debate.

structions a month ago.

Some Coup Planned,

There are several signs and portents ndicating early and momentous action on the part of the government. The in the House of Commons was largely able excitement among the people of guards have been doubled and the responsible for precipitating the acute Belfast who for days past have been garrisons strengthened at the military situation which now undoubtedly ex- momentarily expecting some decisive baracks, in accordance with the in- ists. Unionist disappointment in move on the part of the Unionist entions announced early in the week, failing to detach a portion of the govchiefs or on that of the government. with a view of preventing possible ernment's parliamentary support, was raids for munitions of war by the also a perceptible factor,

A more dramatic debate has not covenanters," and it is persistently eported that the arrest of the lest- been heard there in recent times. The ers of the Ulster volunteer force 1. topic nominally under discussion was imminent. Meanwhile there is un- the demand made by the opposition

in Ulster has become one of great

gravity, and predictions are freely

made that the long threatened 'way

the military occupation of the pro-

self has grown suddenly electrical.

there at any moment and sinister ru-

Government Action.

mors abound.

Rule bill, but by common consent the formed the burden of the speeches

BELFAST, Ireland, March 20-Si Edward Carson, the leader of the Unionists of Ulster made a dramatic entry into the capital of the province to-day. His purpose in coming here is to consult with the other Ulster Unionist leaders and with the commander of the Ulster volunteer forces.

Officers of Army. Before landing this morning Sir

Edward Carson received on board the steamer on which he made the pai- out providing these ships, is futile, (Continued on Page 5)

In the Commons [By Special Wire to The Courier] MONTREAL, March 20.-The London correspondent of the Daily Mail says an extraordinary incident happened in the ladies' gallery of the House of Commons during the debate

Bill. In the select section of the gallery there were, among others, the Marchioness of London derry and Miss Violet Asquith, daughter of the Prime Minister. The Marchioness indulged in running comments on the speeches. After a time Miss Asquith asked the Marchioness to be quiet, as her remarks made it impossible to hear properly, but the Marchioness only became the more demonstrative. Miss Asquith then called the gallery attendant to enforce the silence rule, and finally left her place and wrote a complaint to the Speaker.

yesterday on the Home Rule

Navy League is **Dissatisfied**

vital issue of peace or war in Ireland Three Ships More Should be Laid Down-Canada's Failure.

[By Special Wire to The Courier]

proposals of the admiralty, contained The great activity displayed at in the construction programme cut- stances.

Unionist headquarters and in the lined by Mr Churchill, the Fust "What circumstances?" asked the The acrimony of yesterday's debate army barracks have caused consider- Lord, in the House of Commons this magistrate. "Well," answered the deweek Since the failure of Canadian aid, Lane." There were reasons why he the league has persistently urged the had left his first wife, but as they laying down of three ships to fill the would cause a long trial, and as many gap caused by Canada's failure toof his friends would be brought into wards the Imperial fleet. The govern the affair he could not give them. He ment's scheme to fill the gap in the would remain silent rather than progeneral defence of the Empire with- long the trial, and take sentence-

says the league.



Gordon Booth May Was Sentenced in Police Court Today.

Prisoner Makes a Statement Exonerating His Second Wife.

After very brief proceedings Gorlon Booth May, was sentenced to six months imprisonment. No witnesses were called and the principal happenings this morning was a statement by prisoner, which revealed nothing that was new. The interest the case had aroused was evidenced by the crowded court room which has not been so filled for many a day. May was cynosure of every eye as he stood up to answer the Magistrate's voice.

His Statement.

May evidently regarded his second vife as his legal wife, for opening his remarks he said his wife did not know she was committing any offence when she married. "She" did not break the law" commented the Magistrate. He then said he meant his second wife. She knew when she married him that the woman he had MONTREAL, March 20-A Lon- previously married was living, but un-

(Continued on Page 6)

Ion cable to The Gazette says: The der the circumstances she had no idea Navy League is dissatisfied with the that she was breaking the law when expect any trouble under the circum-

> fendant, "the circumstance that I was under age when I married Miss