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THE CITY COUNCIL IN A STORMY SESSION; UNABLE TO CLOSE UP G. T. R. AGREEMENT

Two Clauses Remain Unaccepted and Further Negotiations Are Postponed Until Next Week—What the Company and City Have Agreed Upon.

The city council met last night, and for four hours, or until midnight, discussed the Grand Trunk agreement, finally adjourning without taking action on the document as a whole, although all important clauses save two had been adopted when the agreement was taken up clause by clause.

It is now up to the mayor to call a special meeting of the council to conclude the matter, and he announced last night that it will be held on Tuesday night.

Ald. Matthews is responsible for the present state of affairs. He fought the proposed agreement at every stage, and he was supported through thick and thin by Ald. Booth and Ald. Garratt, and later in the evening Ald. Cooper joined Ald. Matthews' forces, and refused to accept the agreement at present, claiming that the plans should be produced.

No Plan of Switch.

As each clause was proposed, Ald. Matthews would oppose it on one ground or another. He was unsuccessful, however, until a clause was introduced to bind the Grand Trunk to maintain a switch connecting the steam lines with the lines of the London street railway, just west of the Wharncliffe road, so that the hauling of coal and supplies to the waterworks might not be interrupted.

All along Ald. Matthews had been objecting to the council accepting any clause for any work which was not shown by the Grand Trunk on a plan, and when he raised the point on this important matter, he found himself in a majority, and the only thing to do was to adjourn until the plans were produced. City Solicitor Meredith supported Ald. Matthews in the demand for plans.

The council decided that if the plans could not be produced at once, the members would go over in a body and view the street.

Mr. Pope, solicitor for the Grand Trunk Railway, urged the council to get the agreement through, as time means everything to the company now. Ald. Matthews declared that Mr. Pope was well aware that the plans would be needed, and he alone was to blame for the delay.

Mr. Pope gave his word of honor that he was not aware until yesterday afternoon that the plans would be demanded by the city, and that then it was too late to secure them.

Engineer Crowley, for the company, said the plans could not be secured by Thursday night, and the idea of adjourning for 24 hours was given up.

Matthews Irritates Mayor.

While Mayor Judd was endeavoring to ascertain what night it would be necessary to hold the meeting, Ald. Matthews worked a game on him, which made the mayor turn white with anger.

The alderman left the council chamber, and endeavored to induce Ald. Garratt to go with him, but that alderman refused. Ald. Matthews was followed by Ald. Booth and Ald. Cooper, however, with the result that the council was left without a quorum, and the city was left in the position of having refused to act on the agreement, and with having failed to set a time to take up the matter again.

Broke Up Meeting.

"Record the names of those who are present," Mr. Clerk said the mayor, "I will not be treated in this manner. Let the people know who broke up the meeting."

Mr. Baker then recorded the names of those who were present, as follows: Aids, Gerry, Garratt, Saunders, Armstrong, Greenlees, and Gilean. Aids, Stevenson and Aid, Wyatt had left the room some time previously in disgust, and Ald. Forrester, of course, too ill to attend the meetings of the council. The bolters were Aids, Matthews, Booth and Cooper.

Thus the stormy session came to an end.

Means Much Negotiating.

Two clauses of the proposed agreement leave the city and the company with plenty of negotiations on hand. One relates to the matter of indemnity against any actions which may be entered against the city by reason of the making of the proposed improvements.

Mr. Pope stated that he would like this clause to be left over. Manager McGulgan, Mr. Pope said, is perfectly willing to become liable because of the improvements to the Wharncliffe road, but not to the Wortley road. Mr. McGulgan thinks that, as the city asked to have this subway widened from 40 to 56 feet, and as the company consented, at great cost, so as to oblige the city, the latter should stand all claims for damages, should any arise.

At the Wharncliffe road, things were different. There the city was asked doing a work which is for the benefit of the Grand Trunk primarily, and the company is ready to assume all liability therefor.

City Solicitor Meredith pointed out that there might be actions brought against the city by reason of the abutments of the new subway extending on to the Wortley road, but if the company would consent to widen the subway to the full street width of 66 feet much trouble might be saved and there would be no occasion to secure legislation to sanction the agreement with the company.

The Switch Matter.

The switch matter proved a sticker. At present this switch runs from the Grand Trunk line on the south to the street railway tracks, but Mr. Pope (Continued on Page Nine.)

Manager Says Grand Trunk Is Not Tied to One Plan

If City Refuses Land Near Coves, Grand Trunk Has Another Way to Provide for Street Railway.

Manager McGulgan and Superintendent Brownlee, of the Grand Trunk Railway, were in the city this morning. It is understood that the company is having all necessary plans prepared at once for the proposed work west of the street.

"The company is above-board on this matter," the manager said. "All that it is possible to do to show the citizens plainly what the company proposes to do will be done. There is no desire to keep anything back."

It is understood that at the next meeting of the council Mr. McGulgan will be present, so that the aldermen may ask him what questions they please.

It was evident at the meeting last night that the city fathers felt that someone in authority for the company should be present to answer questions when important matters came up. Mr. McGulgan denies that the city holds the key to the situation and can hold the Grand Trunk up on the matter of reopening the entire negotiations. Mr. McGulgan says he will be pleased to meet the city at any time to discuss the elevation of the lines clear through to Adelaide street, but he denies that the strip of land asked from the city can be used as a lever to compel the company to do anything. He has a plan which shows an alternative course regarding the crossing of the street railway lines.

How Work Can Be Done. In such event, it is Mr. McGulgan's

intention to simply construct a ledge along the spread of the embankment for the street railway, and to allow the street railway lines to run on this ledge.

In this case, the company could get along without any land from the city whatsoever, and the cost of the work, Mr. McGulgan says, would not be as great as the construction of the two subways at the Wharncliffe and Wortley roads.

Mr. McGulgan is still convinced that the city should not expect the company to stand responsible for damages which might be incurred through the widening of the archway at Wortley road. The opening there now is very narrow, and as the city alone is to benefit by the work, he cannot see why the company should be called upon to defend any suits for damages which might be incurred. But he is quite willing to stand responsible for any and all other damage claims.

As regards the hitch over the switch west of the Wharncliffe to the street railway lines, it is understood that the bylaw which covers the case stipulates that the connection must be made at the point it is now located, and that until this bylaw is repealed the city cannot give the company the right to make the connection at a point further east on Beconsfield avenue; but no trouble is anticipated over this matter.

As the council now stands, seven aldermen and the mayor are in favor of coming to an agreement with the Grand Trunk, and four are against it. Ald. Forrester, the other member of the council, is not able to attend the meetings.

MET FOR FIRST TIME IN 55 YEARS

Remarkable Family Reunion in Embro—Body of Missing Son Discovered.

[Special Correspondence of Advertiser.] Embro, Sept. 5.—Mrs. L. Baird, of Sheddin, and her little granddaughter, Norma Howarth, of St. Thomas, spent the holiday with Mrs. Sheddin's daughter, Mrs. George Gould.

Arbor, Mich., and Mrs. Baileys, of Lawton, Kansas, are the guests of their aunt, the Misses Matheson. Mr. and Mrs. Walter Ellis and children, of London, were Sunday and Monday guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. Sutherland.

Mr. McGoughan, manager of the Traders' Bank, spent the holiday at his home in London. Mr. Jackson, the accountant, was also at his home in Tillamook. Mr. Calvin Munro, of London, spent a few days with his aunt, Mrs. H. Murray, of the seventh concession.

Mr. R. A. Duncan, of Winnipeg is visiting at his home in London. Miss Louise Wentz, of Smith's Falls, is the guest of Miss Jennie Oliver. Mrs. (Rev.) Cunningham, and little daughter, Helen, of Welland, spent the holiday with Mrs. Cunningham's mother, Mrs. Youell.

Mr. M. A. Aldridge, of Teeswater, was in the village over Sunday. Mr. Nelson Beaver returned on Saturday after a two months' visit to his home in Morrisstown.

Mr. Emerson Abernethy is spending a few days in Toronto. He sang on Sunday in Chalmers' Church, Toronto.

The public school reopened yesterday, with Mr. A. W. Kennedy, of Oshawa, Miss May Cody, Embro, and Miss Mabel Truitt, of Thamesville, in charge of the several departments.

Miss Norma Ross, Max Cody, Lawrence Gould, Clair Porter and Clark Gordon are attending the Woodstock Collegiate Institute. Miss Ethel Sutherland and Robert Marshall are attending the Woodstock Business College, and Miss Burnetta McLeod is at the model school.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Gordon received a telegram last Thursday notifying them of the discovery of the body of their son William, who was missing at Chalmersburg, Mich. Full particulars of the fatality have not yet been received. The deceased, who was 24 years of age, left here about eight years ago for Michigan. He leaves, besides his parents, a sister, Mrs. J. H. Middleton, and a brother, George, both of this place.

The Ladies' Aid of the Congregational Church held a very successful harvest home and supper in the skating rink on Thursday evening, Aug. 30. Music was furnished by Miss McNeill's orchestra, of Ingersoll, and several vocal numbers were rendered. After all expenses were deducted the sum of nearly \$80 was cleared.

Mr. James Ross, of Otago, New Zealand, spent a few days with his sister, Mrs. H. Morrison, last week. This is the first time that they have met for 35 years. Mr. Ross is a prosperous sheep farmer, and speaks very highly of his adopted country. He thinks it offers more inducements for emigration than Canada does. Mrs. Morrison held a family gathering in honor of her brother during his visit, those present being, Mr. Wm. Fraser, of Port Huron, Mich.; Mr. D. Fraser and son, of Flint, Mich.; Mr. and Mrs. John Walker, East Torrance; Mr. Arthur Corbett, Hamilton, and Mrs. Joseph Fremont and Mr. Arthur J. Fremont, of Drumbo.

GAVE MOTHER-IN- LAW LIVELY TIME

Mrs. Just Alleged to Have As- saulted Her in Effort to Regain Child.

A quarrel, in which a mother-in-law and her daughter-in-law figured, was aired in the hearing of an assault case at the police court this morning.

The parties concerned were Mrs. Adams and her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Annie Just, the alleged assailant. According to Mrs. Adams' story she was sitting in the quiet of her home, 35 Miles street, with her daughter-in-law, child on her knee, when the child's mother, who had been in Detroit, came to the back door, and wanted to be admitted. About half an hour later Mrs. Just came to her front door, and commenced shouting to someone across the street that Mrs. Adams had her child, and would not give it up.

Then the battle commenced in earnest. Mrs. Adams closed down the window, and Mrs. Just immediately shoved her fist through the glass and climbed in. Mrs. Adams tried to keep her out, but to no avail. In the scuffle, Mrs. Adams was pulled off her feet, slapping of faces, kicking and punching. It is said, until last Mrs. Adams was stretched on the floor in a helpless condition. Mrs. Just carried away the child.

At first Mrs. Adams claimed that her injuries included a broken rib, but she now declares that although her side is seriously hurt, she is not suffering from any fractures.

The defendant was sent for trial.

WERE IN THE MONEY

Errington and Storey Winners at To- ronto Quoit Tournament.

The quaiting tournament under the auspices of the Victoria Club closed at Toronto yesterday. Among those who participated in the play were Messrs. R. Errington and Harry Storey, of this city, both of whom were in the money. Errington, who is a veteran at the game, won first prize, \$25, in the second series, and Storey got fourth money in the first series.

The main prize of \$50 was won by "Bob" Callander, of Toronto, who will next month endeavor to win the Ryman trophy, now held by Jim Bell, at the annual tournament of the Forest City Quaiting Club.

There were a number of other quaitors at Toronto's tournament who are expected here, among them being Frank Claus, an Indian, of Belleville; J. Thompson and W. Weir, of Toronto.

FACTORY COLLAPSES

Elyria, Ohio, Sept. 6.—A section of a big factory building under construction by the Garford Company, of Cleveland, collapsed today, burying a number of workmen. Three men are reported to have been killed and six badly injured.

BIG CUBAN CRASH

Steamship Agents Fail for \$600,000— Banks Heavy Losers.

Havana, Sept. 6.—The shipping and importing house of Bridal, Montrose & Co., agents of the French Trans-Atlantic Steamship Line, failed today, with liabilities of \$600,000. The banks are heavy losers, on account of alleged over issues of the firm's commercial paper.

SUNK IN LAKE ERIE

An Unknown Schooner Goes Down Off the Marblehead Light.

Sandusky, Ohio, Sept. 6.—Captain Griesser, of the Marblehead life-saving station, reports an unknown schooner sunk in Lake Erie, at a point five miles north of the Marblehead light, the name of which he was unable to learn. The crew, he believes, was picked up by a passing steamer.

APPLES WILL BE DEARER

Higher Prices To Be Paid for the Fruit This Season.

At a meeting of the directors of the Ontario Co-operative Fruit Growers' Association at Toronto, it was stated that there would be no difficulty in selling apples this year at good prices, being particularly good in quality, and scab and insect injury less noticeable than for many years.

Packing in central packing houses under the supervision of experts insures uniformly high-grade fruit, and the department at Ottawa will have the fruit specially inspected and protected.

Members of the association will be in no hurry to sell, and a number of old country buyers have indicated an intention to visit Canada. Prices will be materially stiffened, it is thought.

THE AMHERST LIBRARY

Rare Literary Treasures May Come to the Dominion.

London, Sept. 6.—Referring to the disposal of Lord Amherst's famous library, Quaritch, the auctioneer, says he would personally like to see it acquired by Canada, if it does not remain in England. The Dominion will never have a better opportunity of acquiring examples of printing which a national library might possess. At present Canada was poor in such treasures. He suggests that wealthy Canadians take the matter into consideration. The value of the collection is roughly \$150,000.

The Times asks why Canada should not enter into the competition in the matter of books as well as works of art with the United States. The Dominion has sons so rich that the idea is not unreasonable. The example of New York, Boston and Chicago might, as well be followed by Toronto and Montreal.

SAME GAME IN TORONTO

Greenbaum, the Silk Thief, Is Alleged to Have Worked It.

Joseph Greenbaum, the silk thief who served three months in the county jail here, is alleged to have operated in Toronto before he came to London. It is also said he operated in the same manner in the Queen City, where he is now awaiting trial on the charge of stealing from Cockman & Ray, a wholesale house. Greenbaum was accompanied by a woman, and while he was looking over some goods, she is said to have stowed a roll of silk under her coat. Goods corresponding with those stolen at Toronto were found in Greenbaum's trunk. These were taken to Toronto to be used in evidence against the prisoner. The London police are still in possession of a large quantity of silk which was in possession of Greenbaum, no owners having been found for it. Just what will be done with it is undecided.

STRIKE IS OFF.

San Francisco, Sept. 6.—The street railway strike was officially declared off last night, and a few cars were put in operation. The car men returned to work on the terms agreed on. They will resume work and arbitrate their demands for a \$3 wage and an eight-hour day.

THE WEATHER

TOMORROW—FINE AND WARM.

Toronto, Sept. 5-8 p.m. The area of high pressure centered last night in Ontario is now passing off the Atlantic coast. An area of low pressure covers the Northwest Provinces, and another is centered to the north of Ontario. Rain has fallen today in British Columbia and some light local showers in Eastern Quebec. Elsewhere the weather has been fine.

FORECASTS. Tomorrow, Sept. 6-8 a.m. Moderate variable winds; fine and warm today and Friday.

TEMPERATURES. Stations. 8 a.m. Min. Max. Weather. Calgary. 50. 52. 54. Fair. Winnipeg. 62. 64. 66. Fair. Port Arthur. 62. 64. 66. Clear. Toronto. 62. 64. 66. Clear. Ottawa. 58. 60. 62. Clear. Montreal. 58. 60. 62. Fair. Quebec. 62. 64. 66. Cloudy. Father Point. 54. 56. Cloudy.

WEATHER NOTES

The West Indies storm is now to the northwest of Bahamas, and is not unlikely to move northward, and the weather continues fine in Ontario and throughout the Northwest Provinces. Minimum and maximum temperatures: Dawson, 30-42; Vancouver, 52-58; Calgary, 45-57; Edmonton, 46-72; Qu'Appelle, 38-52; Winnipeg, 46-76; Port Arthur, 58-76; Parry Sound, 42-72; Toronto, 46-70; Montreal, 62-68; Quebec, 42-64; St. John, 50-66; Halifax, 46-53.

NO BRITISH-SPANISH ALLIANCE; BUT FEELING IS OF THE BEST

Both Nations Agreed on Poli- cies and France Beams Approval.

London, Sept. 6.—Despite various reports to the contrary it may be accepted as certain that no steps have been taken towards the negotiation of a formal alliance between Great Britain and Spain, and it is very doubtful that anything of the kind is in contemplation.

The relations between the two countries are very cordial and the newly created kinship between their royal houses adds another close and intimate bond to their cordiality. It is very probable that King Alfonso will

now look to London with greater frequency for his higher political aspirations, and that under his leadership the Spanish Government will be brought into closer working relations with the British Government. But nothing in the nature of a written alliance is looked for with Europe at peace. Spain co-operated with France and Great Britain at Algiers, and under most circumstances will probably be found similarly aligned in future. There is no reason to believe that France would view the close approach of Spain and Great Britain other than with approval, or that France would object to making the partnership a triangular one. There exists certain differences between France and Spain, but well-informed circles here regard them as susceptible to easy adjustment.

CUBAN REBELLION COMIC OPERA TYPE

Londoners Interested Say In- surrection Has Been Greatly Exaggerated.

Insurrections in the little southern municipalities of Central and Southern America have generally been of the comic opera character, and have furnished themes for wits for many a moon. The present insurrection (?) in Cuba is such a kind, at least so far as warlike is concerned.

Rev. J. G. Stuart, who is interested with several Londoners in Cuban real estate, was interviewed yesterday evening on the subject.

"What about the insurrection in Cuba?" was asked. "What is the extent of the trouble?" "The main trouble is in the newspapers," he replied. "There is some disturbance, but it is greatly magnified."

There happened to be with Mr. Stuart a resident of Havana, Cuba, Mr. Tummel, who is spending a few days with him. Mr. Tummel is a wealthy landowner, and is thoroughly conversant with conditions in that somewhat unhappy island. When he was asked regarding the trouble, he also answered that the trouble was largely in the newspapers.

"I own 1,000 acres of land within 15 miles of the so-called highly-disturbed districts, but neither my steward nor superintendents report the slightest disturbance. While in Toronto last week, I had the pleasure of entertaining a resident doctor of Havana who had just come from that city, and he reported that there was no revolution in Havana. The explanation is this: Among the American property owners in Cuba, there is a strong sentiment for annexation to the United States. Their aim is to have the American Government interfere, and annex the island. So the reports of the trouble are highly exaggerated to produce that effect. President Palma has the trouble very much in hand. The disturbance is chiefly among the negroes, and the most prominent of the negro politicians have been captured and put in jail. So the most of the damage done is done up here. I have spent \$10,000 during the past year on my plantation. I grow principally hogs, tobacco and oranges. I am not worrying a bit about them, so you see, the insurrections cannot be very serious. My wife is in Havana, and she tells me that they are paying very little attention to it down there. She reports that there is no special disturbance. The newspapers will give very little further attention to it, I think. The insurgents are taking advantage of the 30 days' amnesty. President Palma has given them 30 days to come in out of the woods, and they will do so. I have 600 hogs and 50 mules on my plantation, and if there was a revolution, you would think they would want them, but they are safe," he replied.

It looks like another case of Uncle Sam's benevolent assimilation for the benefit of Uncle Sam.

WILL BOOM THE PORT

Pere Marquette to Advertise It Exten- sively for Next Season.

Mr. F. K. George, of Detroit, advertising manager of the Pere Marquette Railway, passenger department, is in the city, the guest of Traveling Passenger Agent Kearns. Mr. George and Mr. Kearns went to Port Stanley today to have some photos taken of the place, and these will be reproduced in the advertising matter being issued for next season by the P. M. This shows that the P. M. intends to boom the port as a summer resort, and will doubtless attract many Americans to London's summer beauty spot next year.

Mr. George thinks Port Stanley one of the prettiest resorts on the continent, and that if it is properly advertised it will be frequented by the best class of Americans.

There is a strong probability, too, that a joint stock company, composed of London, St. Thomas, Pittsburgh and Detroit capitalists, will be formed to put on amusements at the lakeside, and run the resort in an up-to-date manner.

It is understood that a gentleman is in the city at present promoting the scheme.

LIBERALS HOPEFUL OF EARLY VICTORY

The Hon. Mr. Ross on the Outlook in Ontario.

READY FOR FRAY SAYS HYMAN

Annual Meeting of Reform Association Executive at Toronto—Election of Officers.

Toronto, Sept. 6.—Much hopefulness and a future more bright than for months has been thought possible were revealed in speeches of the Liberal leaders at the annual meeting yesterday of the General Reform Association for Ontario. A significant feature of the speeches was the suggestion that the political leaders should more frequently address the people. It was the second annual meeting of the association, but the attendance of veterans who have fought the battles of the party, and rendered great service to their country for a generation, together with young men full of enthusiasm even after the darkest hour in their party's history in the Province, mark the meeting as one which will have an undoubted effect in the party's fortunes in future campaigns. The members present included Hon. George W. Ross, opposition leader in the Province; Hon. Charles S. Hyman, Minister of Public Works; Hon. A. B. Aylesworth, Minister of Justice, and such old-timers in the party fights as Senator McMullen, Mount Forest; S. Nator J. K. Kerr, Senator Robert Jaffray, Hon. Richard Harcourt and Hon. G. P. Graham. There were besides scores of members of Parliament and of the Legislature, besides Liberals who had been defeated in the last elections, and many of the rank and file. The speeches of Hon. Mr. Ross, Mr. Aylesworth and Mr. Hyman were strong though brief reviews of the political situation, and they were received with every evidence of satisfaction. That the Conservative Government in Ontario will have warm days before it in its next session was the promise of the provincial leaders.

The President's Address.

In delivering his annual address, President Mowat said:

"The General Reform Association convenes for its second annual meeting under most favorable circumstances. It is now well understood that on account of the representative character of its constitution every Reform act in Ontario has a voice in the business of the association, either by personal attendance or by instructions given to those assembled from the several ridings."

"The Dominion is prosperous, contented, and hopeful, and Reformers are not without their share of the good things of a Government which continues to possess their genuine and unabated confidence."

"The Liberal party has been now ten years in power, and it would be only a partial utterance if it were not to assert that it is to this party, by its tenure of office by our friends, that Canada largely owes her doubled wealth and increase of patriotic confidence. The work our leaders have undertaken cannot be laid down for some time. The party therefore proposes, with the aid of devoted friends and the silent encouragement of those who are not politically active, that the Government of Canada, under its present auspices, be continued."

"It is doubtful, however, if the country at large sees as much of ministers or hears as much from them as is desirable. The right of public meeting was won so long ago that we sometimes forget the benefits of that for which our ancestors fought. The meeting in the town hall is scarcely known except in the excitement of the campaign, when party strife is high, and the utterances of the public are challenged from pure partisanship. The picnic in the grove, where Liberals would meet their great leaders with informal ease, listen to their views of government with intent pleasure, and afterwards introduce their growing sons to them, seems to have fallen into disuse. Why this abatement of a good and useful custom? It cannot be from indifference, because there is as much love of clean politics among the men of Ontario as in any quarter of the earth. It is because we compel our ministers to be engrossed in departmental drudgery? If so, a remedy is needed, for ministers are only ministers because they are politicians, and it is not fair to expect men to be civil servants and commanding politicians as well. Perhaps it is because the people, acquiescing in the increased facility of the press, have become accustomed to obtain their political food from writings, and do not demand the direct utterances of party leaders. If this be so, it is not wholly satisfactory. It is quite obvious that in Ontario the understandings and collaboration between great parliamentarians and great writers, which made for virile and definite politics, is largely a thing of the past."

Press Men Non-Partisan.

"It is said by some that great newspapers do not care to be tied up to a party; that a party paper is not a money-maker. If this view is correct we have no right to quarrel with it."

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