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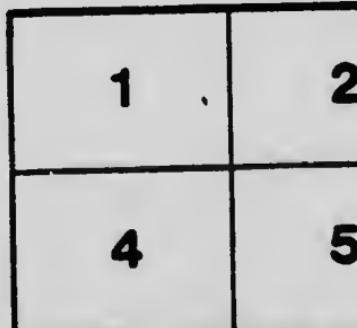
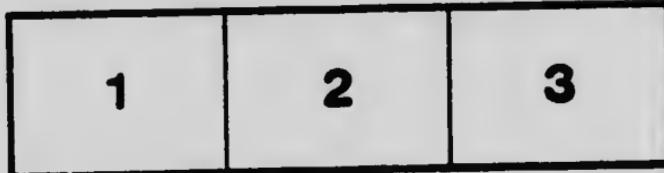
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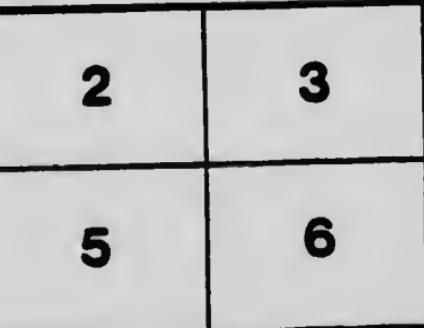
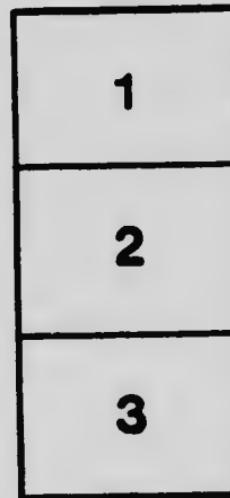
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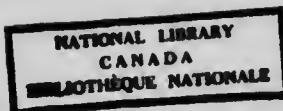
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TO THE
PROPERTY OWNERS
OF OTTAWA.



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OTTAWA, MAY 16th, 1905.

To the Property Owners

and all who pay taxes in Ottawa:

On Thursday, the 18th inst., you will be called on to give a vote either in favor of or against the By-law to raise \$200,000 to establish another Electric Light System.

If the \$200,000 was sufficient to establish a civic plant, it might be favorably considered.

But that sum is only, what honest John Heney says it is, "a wedge," which the Council will not delay long in hammering in.

To show that this is the true meaning of the aldermen supporting the measure, the Council applied last week to the Legislature in Toronto for leave to borrow an additional sum of \$350,000 for electric light purposes.

The Legislature after hearing the Aldermen and their arguments threw out the Bill.

Not discouraged, the Aldermen want you on Thursday to insert the wedge, and they will trust to luck in getting additional money hereafter to accomplish their ends.

Now consider the question. We have two Companies which furnish light at a very low price. So low, indeed, that those citizens who put their money into it, have not received, for years past, any dividends or interest thereon.

Why try to crush out Companies which furnish light at much less than cost?

All citizens do not use electric light. The great majority use gas or coal oil.

If this By-law is carried on the 18th inst., the \$200,000 will soon increase to \$1,000,000. (One Million Dollars.)

Taxes will also have to increase and all citizens, tenants as well as property owners, those that use electric light as well as those that don't, will have to pay the piper. There will be no getting out of it.

Now, if those interested aldermen succeed, who will manage the enterprise? The aldermen, of course, who have become experts out of the following undertakings:

PORTER'S ISLAND.

THE CONTAGIOUS DISEASES HOSPITAL.

THE FAT STOCK SHOW BUILDINGS.

What has become of these?

PORTER'S ISLAND (or at least the thousands spent on it) has disappeared.

THE CONTAGIOUS DISEASES HOSPITAL has gone through a financial cyclone which wiped out many thousands wastefully.

THE FAT STOCK SHOW BUILDINGS. Well, just go to the Exhibition Grounds and judge for yourselves.

In view of these facts, the safest course is to follow the example of the Ontario Legislature, and

Vote down the By-law on the 18th Instant.

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The following citizens, after discussing the whole matter at the Board of Trade meeting, voted against the passing of the By-law:

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| DEXIS MURPHY,
President of the Board, ex-M.P.P. | J. A. D. HOLBROOK,
Merchant. |
| JOHN HENEY,
Contractor, and old and respected citizen. | GILBERT ALLAN,
Manufacturer. |
| T. H. CONNOR,
Manufacturer. | PETER LARMONTII,
Insurance and Real Estate. |
| H. J. SIMS,
Merchant. | WM. NORTHWOOD,
Hardware Merchant. |
| H. ALLAN HARVEY,
Manager Bank B. N. America. | JAMES OLIVER,
Manufacturer. |
| P. WHELEN,
Lumber Merchant. | JOHN C. EMO,
General Manager Canada Accident Insurance Company. |
| W. STRACHAN,
Merchant. | GEORGE KYDD,
Manager Royal Bank. |
| S. McCLENAHAN,
Merchant. | D. O'CONNOR, K.C.,
Barrister. |
| C. C. RAY,
Coal Merchant. | J. E. McPHERSON,
Manager. |
| JOHN I. MacCRACKEN,
Barrister. | C. A. BUTTERWORTH,
Merchant. |
| J. ROBERTS ALLAN,
Capitalist. | L. S. MACOUN,
Manufacturers' Agent. |
| W. H. DWYER,
Merchant. | C. P. MEREDITH,
Architect. |
| JAMES BALLANTYNE,
Merchant and Manufacturer. | EDWARD WALLACE,
Real Estate. |
| G. B. GREENE,
President of the Upper Ottawa Improvement Co. | W. H. CURRIE,
Insurance Agent. |
| LEVI CRANNEL,
Manufacturer. | JOHN HODGINS,
Barrister. |
| GEO. E. KIDD,
Barrister. | J. A. MOSCROVE,
Druggist. |
| M. PLOUFFE,
Merchant and Alderman. | J. W. H. WATT,
Architect. |
| THOMAS WORKMAN,
Hardware Merchant. | E. L. DAY,
Manufacturer. |
| J. R. REID,
Manager of Sun Life. | D. O'CONNOR, Jr.,
Lumber Dealer. |
| J. TRAVERS LEWIS,
Barrister. | W. G. CHARLESON,
Merchant. |
| WM. WHITE,
Retired Gentleman. | C. ROSS,
General Manager C. Ross Co. |
| JOHN COATES,
President Gas Co. | J. MCKINLEY,
Hardware Merchant. |
| A. SIMPSON,
Manager Ontario Bank. | GEO. L. ORME,
Manufacturer of Pianos, etc. |

In conclusion we may add that we have not and never had any interest in either of the Electric Companies in question.

We are property owners in the City of Ottawa.

D. O'CONNOR
JOHN R. REID
S. McCLENAHAN



