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QUEBEC IS DRY ALTHOUGH IT VOTED WET ON REFERENDUM; ONTARIO FLOODED WITH BOOZE

PECULIAR CONDITIONS IN UPPER PROVINCES

Strange Feature of Liquor Legislation Called Attention to by a Quebec Newspaper—Neither Province is Getting What People Want—Have the Exact Opposite of What They Voted For, Thanks to Federal Legislation.

Toronto, Jan. 6.—The Globe newspaper publishes the following special despatch from Quebec:

"Commenting on the liquor situation both in Quebec and Ontario, The Quebec Daily Telegraph speculation exists as to the character of the legislation in regard to licenses to be submitted to the Legislature at the present session. Nobody can plead ignorance as to the feelings of the majority of the people of this law-abiding and liberty-loving Province. When they last had an opportunity of doing so they expressed themselves on the subject in no doubtful manner. The majority of the electors declared themselves in favor of personal liberty in license matters, while the people of Ontario declared themselves to be of an entirely opposite view.

"Yet note the result. The people of the two Provinces find themselves today in exactly the opposite position to that for which they voted in consequence of Federal legislation and of the recent cancellation of war-time orders in Council affecting license matters, Ontario which has declared emphatically against the importation or sale of liquor, can now be flooded with it legally by means of importations from Quebec; while Quebec which went on record for a much more liberal and moderate exercise of private judgment, cannot receive from Ontario what she is at perfect liberty to ship there.

"Is it any wonder that there are any people in this liberty-loving Province who believe that they see in the present complicated position of affairs the necessity for Provincial legislation to give to Quebec at least the same measure of freedom as has been accorded to Ontario by the recent action of the Federal authorities?"

WEEK OF PRAYER OPENED

The opening meeting of the Week of Prayer was held last night in the Methodist Church. A large congregation was in attendance. The initial meeting augurs well for the success of the series. The spiritual aims of the Inter-Church Forward Movement were kept in the foreground, and will be during the meetings of this week. Two interesting addresses on "Intercession", were delivered by Rev. Z. L. Fash and Adjutant Miller. Prayer was declared to be natural, vital and necessary in the Christian life; and a call was sounded forth for the setting up of the family altar in the Christian homes of the city. An offering was taken and will be continued through the week for the work of the Victorian nurse in Fredericton.

POISONED WHISKEY CONFESSIONS CLEAR UP POINTS OF MYSTERY

(Special to the Mail.)

New York, Jan. 6.—Poison whiskey confessions, obtained separately, but tallying in their essentials, were in the hands of the Federal authorities of Manhattan and Brooklyn today, which, according to United States Marshal Jas. M. Power and Harold Dobbs, internal revenue agent, cleared up virtually every remaining point of mystery in the investigation into the "liquid death" traffic in New York, as a result of which upward of two hundred persons lost their lives during the holidays.

THE MUNICIPALITY OF YORK WAS ORGANIZED SIXTY-FIVE YEARS AGO THE COUNCIL HAS A GOOD RECORD

A Brief Glance at the Municipal History of York County—None of the Original Councillors Now Living—The Oldest Ex-Councillors and Where They Reside—Many Still in Active Public Life—The County Secretaryship.

The Municipality of York, the Council Board of which meets today in semi-annual session, is one of the oldest in the province, having been incorporated in the year 1855. Previous to that time the business of the county was carried on by a board of magistrates or justices of the peace appointed by the government of the province. The municipality could have celebrated its diamond jubilee five years ago, but as the great European war was raging, the people had something else to think about and the matter was overlooked.

Many Changes Have Occurred.

Much water has flowed down the St. John river since the Council held its first meeting here sixty-five years ago. Railroads were then practically unknown in the province, but there was a good steamboat service on the river during the summer months, and stage lines furnished a convenient mode of travel. When the Council held its first meeting there was no Dominion of Canada and responsible government was then in the experimental stage. A reciprocal trade agreement with the United States had been ratified by the provinces in the fall of the previous year, and the province, although it had a small and scattered population, was doing a large export trade in lumber, from produce and fish. The Atlantic cable was then but a dream in the mind of the late Cyrus Field. There were no very stringent temperance laws in those days and intoxicating liquor was dispensed at every roadside inn, and the latter were much more plentiful than is the case today. Old residents say that a meeting of the Council was a rather joyful affair, and thirsty souls from far and near gathered for the annual Warden's supper, which was the grand finale of the Council meeting.

Good Municipal Government.

During its long career it may be said with truth that the Council of York has given the county fairly efficient municipal government. Proof of the statement may be found in the fact that the Municipality is today without a dollar of indebtedness, the last bond having been retired about ten years ago. The county has for thirty years been a generous contributor to the funds of the Victoria Hospital. It insured the lives of the York County soldiers who fought in the South African war and contributed to the Patriotic Fund. It also displayed a generous spirit during the great European War lately drawn to a close.

As before stated, the county has not a dollar of indebtedness, but has a snug bank balance. In fact, at every January meeting for years the Secretary-treasurer has been able to report a cash balance ranging from \$2,000 to \$5,000.

In the old days the Councillors labored without remuneration, but were allowed mileage fees which amounted to quite an item for those who represented outlying parishes. Today, in addition to mileage, the Councillors draw an allowance of \$5 per diem and as they have more business to transact, the session now consumes the best part of a week.

Veteran Ex-Councillors.

As far as can be learned, not one of the men who sat at the board when it was first inaugurated is now in the land of the living. Mr. James K. Pinder, M. P. P., of Temperance Vale, is believed to be the oldest living ex-Councillor, with Senator Thompson of this city a close second. Mr. Pinder represented Southampton for twenty years without a break, and for thirteen years had as colleague Mr. James T. Masten, who is still living at Campbell Settlement. Senator Thompson was elected in the Parish of Douglas in the early seventies, when a very young man, and occupied the Warden's chair for several terms. He was a member of the Council when he first ran for the Legislature in 1874. He afterwards served in the Legislature and also in the Legislative Council, and on one occasion unsuccessfully contested York for the House of Commons.

Other veteran ex-members of the Municipal Council include Mr. James Horncastle, Recorder Colter, ex-Warden John Scott, of this city, Mr. Geo. S. Inch, Mr. Archie McMullin, living in Maine, ex-Warden John McKeen of Bright, ex-Warden Spencer Inch, now of Vancouver, Mr. Israel Smith of New Maryland, Dr. E. W. Henry, of Saskatoon, David A. Essensa, Mr. Robert Thompson, of Harvey, and Squire Luke Lawson of McAdam.

Mr. Smith and Mr. Horncastle sat for New Maryland over forty years ago. Mr. Scott was for twenty-five years a councillor for the Parish of Dumfries; Dr. Henry was a councillor for Prince William; Mr. Essensa a councillor for Kingsclear; while Mr. Lawson for years represented the Parish of Canterbury. Recorder Colter

represented the Parish of Douglas and Messrs. McKeen and Inch sat for the Parish of Bright.

Ex-Councillors who passed away recently include Mr. John Murch, of Queensbury, and the late Mr. Alfred Rowley, of St. John, who for years while a resident of Marysville served as councillor for St. Marys.

Modern Ex-Councillors.

Ex-Councillors of more modern times now residing in the city include Messrs. M. B. McNally, Jacob Estey, John Oldham and Stanley Douglas. Mr. McNally was first elected in Queensbury and afterwards, on removing, to Kingsclear was re-elected for that parish. Mr. Estey represented the Parish of Douglas; Mr. Oldham was once a Councillor for Southampton, and Mr. Douglas represented the Parish of Stanley for one term. Mr. Oldham, soon after removing to the city, broke into civic politics and served as an alderman for one year. Mr. S. B. Hunter, M. P. P., of Harvey, was councillor for several terms before being elected to the Legislature.

Included in the present membership of the board are several young men whose fathers rendered good service as councillors in bygone days. Coun. R. H. Graham of Prince William is a son of the late Mr. W. W. Graham, who was for years a sturdy representative of the same Parish. Coun. Lawson of McAdam is a son of ex-Councillor Luke Lawson; Councillor Hinchey, of Stanley, is a son of the late Mr. John Hinchey, a genial lumberman who represented the same parish for many years, and Coun. Bliss Nason of New Maryland is a son of the late Mr. A. A. Nason, an old timer in municipal affairs.

The Secretary-Treasurership.

Although the Municipality is sixty-

REDS PLOTTED TO OVERTHROW THE GOVERNMENT OF THE U. S. AND ESTABLISH SOVIET RULE

G. W. V. A. IN SESSION LAST EVENING

Several Resolutions From Other Branches Discussed—Four New Members Added.

The regular monthly meeting of the G. W. V. A. was held last evening at the G. W. V. A. rooms and several important matters were brought to the notice of the meeting. Four new members were added to the strength of the Association. Two resolutions one from the Fort William Branch and one from the Peterborough Branch of the G. W. V. A. were received and read to those present but while it was decided that it was too late to take up one of them the members did not think that the other had reference to themselves. The second resolution concerned the canteen fund of three million dollars and proposed that it be divided among the colleges for 700 college scholarships. Col. H. F. McLeod who had been appointed the New Brunswick representative on the G. W. V. A. Dominion Executive received a vote of confidence from the meeting. John Cain handed in his resignation as a member of the House Committee as he was leaving the city to take a five months' course. Colin Mackintosh was appointed to act during his absence.

Complaints were received re the discharge of Michael MacDonald from the position as fireman at the D. S. C. R. and also from the returned men taking the shoe-making course at the D. S. C. R. The question of insurance on the G. W. V. A. furniture will be taken up.

GRANTED A DIVORCE

Chicago, Jan. 6.—Madame Galli-Curci soprano of the Chicago Grand Opera Company was granted a divorce from Luigi Curci, by Judge McDonald in the Superior Court today. Curci did not contest the suit.

five years old, only five persons in that long period have filled the office of secretary-treasurer. The late Mr. Henry B. Rainsford was the first, being succeeded after some years by the present Judge Wilson. Mr. John Black, now a Judge in the Yukon, came next, and was succeeded in 1901 by the late Mr. Fred St. John Bliss. Upon the death of the latter, two years ago, the present highly efficient secretary-treasurer, Mrs. A. O. Glen, was appointed to the office. The Mail means to cast no reflection upon her predecessors when it says that the onerous duties of the office were never performed so efficiently and with greater satisfaction to the public than is the case today.

In the past many members of the Municipal Council have been farmers, but they did not always constitute a majority of the members of the board. No doubt, in view of the new political movement sweeping over the country, the farming population of York will see to it that men of their calling get all that is coming to them in the municipal arena in future.

DISCLOSURES MADE BY RECENT ARRESTS

The Authorities Believe That There Will be Astounding Disclosures From the Arrest of the Secretary of Ludwig Martens—Viscount Astor Left an Estate Valued at One Hundred Million Dollars—The Will Filed for Probate.

New York, N. Y., Jan. 6.—Direct connection between the communist party to overthrow the government of the United States as revealed in the nation-wide raids which were inaugurated Friday night and the Lenine-Trotsky Bolshevik regime in Russia will be established, the department of justice agents believe by the arrest yesterday as a conspirator against the government of Gregory Weinstein, secretary to Ludwig Martens, the so-called ambassador to the United States of the Bolshevik government of Russia.

Left Large Estate.

New York, Jan. 6.—The will of Viscount William Waldorf Astor who died on October 18, last in Hever Castle England, leaves an estate consisting largely of improved realty in New York City said to be worth \$100,000,000 was filed today in the Surrogates Court for probate.

ALIENS OUSTED FROM FACTORY

Syracuse, N. Y., Jan. 6.—Every employee of the Globe Malleable Iron Works who is not an American citizen was discharged this afternoon by General Manager H. H. Elmer, following the arrival of several out-of-town agitators, who have been spreading unrest among workers.

"No matter what nationality the workers are they have got to be citizens of America and respecters of the American flag and the principles for which it stands," said Mr. Elmer. "We are through with troublesome foreigners."

Mr. Elmer criticised local authorities for failure to follow up clues given them in ridding the city of radicals.

WOODSTOCK PLEASSED OVER CIVIC GOVT.

Woodstock, N. B., Jan. 6.—Members of the Town Council, town officials and press representatives were guests of Mayor Nodden and Town Manager Armstrong at a banquet last night. The town manager plan was heartily endorsed in the speeches and its success during the past few months will undoubtedly guarantee its continuance. Couns. Gallagher, Brown and Smith announced that they will offer for re-election. Mayor Nodden will probably have no opposition.

Recovery Not Expected

Mrs. Hurd Peters of this city is seriously ill at her home and her recovery is very doubtful.

PRESIDENT TO SEND AN IMPORTANT MESSAGE TO JACKSON DAY DINNER

(Special to the Mail.)

Washington, Jan. 6.—President Wilson will send an important "message" to the Jackson Day Dinner in Washington on Thursday next. The dinner is part of the program of the gathering of the Democratic National Committee. No details of the "message" have been made public, but rumors are that the President will refer to the attitude of the Senate towards the League of Nations and that it will also indicate that he will refuse to again stand for the Presidency.