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THE CANADA EASTERN.

The resolution providing for the government purchase of the Canada Eastern Railway and its operation as part of the Intercolonial, and the acquisition of the Fredericton railway bridge, has passed its first stage in the House of Commons, and its final passage will be accomplished before the end of the present week. The transfer is therefore an assured fact, and is a source of great satisfaction to the people of Fredericton and vicinity.

Mr. Emmerson, to whom great credit must be given for bringing the matter to a successful head, moved the resolution in an effective speech, during which he was able to quote strong recommendations of leading I. C. R. officials in favor of the transfer, and made out an excellent case for the proposition.

Opposition was, of course, to be expected from such moss back, narrow minded Tories as Mr. Haggart, who made such a mess of the I. C. R. management when he was minister of railways, but Mr. Emmerson had a strong case and presented it in a forceful and convincing way. He defended the bargain on its merits, which can be done from many points of view. Mr. Haggart's declaration that the change is to meet a sectional agitation is not correct, and if he were as well versed in public matters as he should be he would know that the feeling in this province is practically unanimous in favor of the transfer, as evidenced by the resolution of the Legislative Assembly on the subject.

There is reason for believing that the I. C. R. authorities are much pleased with the prospect of adding the Canada Eastern to the government line, and anticipate that the road will prove a valuable feeder to the government system.

The report in the Sun that the transfer of the Canada Eastern railway to the government will result in closing the machine shops at Gibson is denied by a gentleman who should be an authority on the subject. It is more likely that operations at the machine shops there will run on a larger scale under the new management.

CITY COUNCIL.

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Ald. Farrell moved that the request be complied with and that the work be done under the direction of the water committee. Carried.

A petition from C. H. Manzer, asking to be relieved from a poll tax, was referred to the assessment committee.

A similar petition from John Christie was dealt with in the same manner.

Grand Lodge Meeting.

A letter from Mr. W. S. Hooper, requesting the mayor and aldermen to attend a reception to the Oddfellows of the Maritime Province, who meet in Fredericton next week, was read by the mayor.

His Worship stated that he had informed Mr. Hooper personally he would be only too pleased to assist in welcoming the Oddfellows, and felt sure that the aldermen would assist him.

Ald. Farrell after a complimentary reference to the Oddfellows, moved that the city clerk be instructed to inform Mr. Hooper that the city would be represented at the reception.

The Firemen.

Chief Lipsett in a letter to the council complained that the new law compelling the firemen to take turns sleeping in the hose station was not

working satisfactory, and requested a conference between a committee from the council and the firemen, with a view of arriving at a solution of the difficulty.

Ald. Ross said that it was the first intimation he had had that the law was not working well. He moved that the communication be referred to the fire committee.

Ald. Farrell regretted that there was trouble in the fire department, and was inclined to attribute it to friction between the chairman and the chief engineer. There was scarcely a meeting of the council that the council did not have to deal with a complaint from the fire department. Not very long ago the council was obliged to dismiss a prominent fireman for refusing to comply with the law. He (Farrell) had taken a stand on that occasion against the offending fireman, and would be compelled to take the same position in future. It was most unfair to the council to be constantly asking them to interfere in matters affecting the internal management of the fire department. When the council passed a law they should see that it is carried out. It is no doubt inconvenient to many of the firemen to be compelled to sleep away from home one night a month but they should obey the law and if they cannot do that they should step down and out.

Ald. Scott thought that when the council passed a law they should see to it that it is carried out for the remainder of the term. Surely they ought to have brains enough to pass a law that will not need changing every month. If not a new fire committee should be appointed.

Ald. Ross was inclined to lay all the trouble at the door of the chief engineer. He had been opposed to the new law at the start, and made no attempt to enforce it. Only one fireman had left the department because of the new law, and there were several applications for the position. After some further discussion it was decided to refer the matter to the fire committee.

Ald. McKnight said that the street committee was now making repairs to the sidewalks and he hoped the aldermen would call the roadmaster's attention to work that was needed in their respective wards.

Reform Needed.

Ald. Farrell hoped that when the sidewalks were attended to the street committee would look to the street crossings and have repairs made where needed. He also hoped that the chairman of the wharf committee would have the repairs made to the city wharf above the highway bridge. The lumber had been obtained for the work and was now lying upon the wharf unused. Such a state of affairs is not creditable to the city. The York street sewer was also in a bad state, and it is about time the roadmaster received instructions to have it repaired. Then there is the proposed new hay scales in rear of the city hall. Why is not some action taken to complete that work? The scales were bought two or three years ago and are lying in the basement of the city hall. There is no reason why they should not be set up and put to some use. The chairman of the market committee should certainly give the matter his immediate attention. In regard to the stone crusher he did not think it would be advisable to dispose of it at the present time, and believed the city clerk should be instructed to so inform the applicant.

Ald. McKnight stated that the terra cotta pipe for the York street sewer had been ordered a fortnight ago. In regard to the roads and streets, there had been a strike among the workmen which had lasted a month, and at present the men were doing government work.

Ald. Stockford replied to Ald. Farrell's remarks with considerable heat. He said he was now correcting mistakes which Ald. Farrell had made a few years ago. The wharf had been crushed by the weight of stone and had to be repaired. Ald. Farrell had been at the board for twenty years, but what had he ever given the citizens except wind. The young council was doing better work today than had ever been done before. It did not injure square timber to allow it to lie on the wharf a few days.

On motion of Ald. Farrell the city clerk was instructed to procure an order book to be kept in his office, for the use of those ordering supplies or materials for the corporation.

On motion of Ald. Edwards, the police committee was authorized to confer with the police magistrate in regard to having a record book placed in the police station.

Council adjourned at 10.30 p. m.

Lovers' Quarrel.

"Mary's young man has left already, and Mary's just gone up to her room in tears," said Mary's mother. "I wonder what the trouble is."

"I know," chimed in Mary's little brother. "They had a scrap. I heard 'em. Sis said she was givin' him more kisses than he was a-givin' her, an' he said it wasn't so. Then they both got mad."

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CANADA EASTERN.

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the Road.MR. TIFFIN WELL PLEASED WITH
THE TRAFFIC POSSIBILITIES.

Messrs. E. Tiffin, general traffic manager of the I. C. R., J. J. Wallace, general freight agent, and E. S. Smiley of St. John, arrived here yesterday afternoon in Mr. Tiffin's private car, after completing a tour of inspection of the Canada Eastern railway. In company with Supt. Hotten they inspected the line from Chatham Junction to Chatham on Monday and yesterday morning, paid a visit to Loggieville, the eastern terminus, and afterwards came on to the city. They are to take their departure for St. John by the nine o'clock train this evening, en route to Moncton. Mrs. Tiffin accompanied her husband on the trip.

Interviewed at his car this morning by a Herald representative, Mr. Tiffin explained that the object of his tour over the Canada Eastern was to inspect the traffic possibilities of the road. There was very little he could say for publication other than that he was most favorably impressed with the outlook.

"I am delighted," said he, "with the scenery along the line of the railway, especially the valleys of the Nashwaak and the Miramichi. Let it be advertised and given the prominence that is now given to points along the main line, and I am confident that a large passenger traffic can be worked up. Of course this will be done if the government acquires the line, and I think there is no longer much room for doubt on that subject."

Mr. Tiffin, who is a practical railway man of long experience, expressed the opinion that the Canada Eastern possessed a good road-bed, and with some improvements here and there could be put in good condition to handle the freight and passenger traffic that is sure to come to it.

Mr. Tiffin and party remained here to day to look up some old friends and it is their intention to return home this evening.

Mr. Tiffin and party were entertained to a drive about the city and suburbs of the city this afternoon by Mr. James S. Neill, ex-president of the Board of Trade. All the places of interest were pointed out to them, and it is needless to say that Mr. Neill's kindness was very much appreciated by them.

This morning Messrs. Tiffin, Wallace and Smiley called upon the leading business men of the city and were most kindly received on all sides. Everybody they met with had a good word to say for the Canada Eastern, and expressed themselves as well pleased with the action of the Dominion government in taking steps to acquire the road.

Ladies' Night.

The members of the Bicycle and Boat-club will entertain their lady friends at the club house this evening. An orchestra will furnish music for dancing.

Mr. W. A. Carroll, manager of the Singer Sewing Machine Company of St. John, is in the city today.

Women love flowers—but and wear for adornment of themselves; they love birds too—stuffed and on hats.

INTERCOLONIAL RAILWAY.

TENDER FOR STATION.

Sealed tenders, addressed to the undersigned, and marked on the outside "Tender for Station, Sydney," will be received up to and including

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