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CIVIC AFFAIRS

Completion of waterworks system.
A new assessment law.
An additional steamship berth.
The harbor entrance dredged.
A system of street improvement.
Report from a gas expert.
Reform in civic departments.

These are some of the matters that will engage the attention of the city council during 1907. There is a large field for aldermanic activity, and perhaps after the spring elections there may be a more vigorous city council.

Of course no one would have the hardihood to predict such an outcome of the elections, since the nearer the date approaches the more apathetic the taxpayers become. Moreover, under the present system the office of alderman is no sinecure. The time that must be given up to committee and board and council meetings must be a heavy tax on a busy man. Certainly, with a council that would compel the departmental heads to attend properly to the affairs of those departments, there would be less pressure upon the aldermen; but for some reason the present members are very slow to interfere with the conduct of departments. Occasional enquiries take up time, but produce no results.

However, the city council and the civic administration is either as good or as bad as the taxpayers choose to have it. They have the power to ensure the best results, and if they fail to exercise it the fault is their own. It may be said of most of the members of the present council that they are giving up a great deal of time to the consideration of civic affairs, and manifest a desire to serve the city's interests to the best of their ability.

CANADA'S TRADE

The first five months of the current fiscal year show an increase of $44,000,000 in the aggregate trade of Canada, when compared with the like period a year before. The chief gain was in imports, but exports increased over three and a half millions. The export of agricultural produce and of produce of the fisheries, it is true, showed a decrease; but this was more than counterbalanced by the increase in products of the forest, animals and their products, manufactures and minerals.

It is also true, however, that the export of agricultural products has shown a decline during December, when compared with the previous year; and this is a fact to be regretted, despite the comparative gain in the aggregate of import and export trade. Both in November and December the exports of Canada were less than in the corresponding months of 1905. This explains why the value of winter port cargoes from St. John this season does not show any increase over that for the like period of last year.

SOCIALISM IN TORONTO

The surprise of the Toronto civic elections was not that Mayor Coatsworth was elected, but that the Socialist candidate secured so many votes. Mr. Coatsworth's vote was about 13,000, while with a third candidate in the field, Mr. Lindala, the Socialist, secured about 8,000 votes. On the eve of the election, in an article headed "Socialism an Exotic Here," the Toronto Mail and Empire said:—

"Toronto has got used to the Socialists' whimsical custom of nominating a candidate for the office of mayor. For years they have resorted to this method of annually advertising their existence as a political sect and of exaggerating the general sense of their weight in this municipal community. In placing their nominees in the field they have always had the humility to admit that they could not look for success at the polls, explaining that their sole obejcts were to make the public acquainted with their tenets and to test their own strength from year to year. We trust that the electorate of Toronto will give the nominators of Mr. Lindala an accurate measure of the strength of Socialism in this city. It would be a satisfaction to the citizens to have all the ballots in favor of Socialism and all the ballots against it placed on opposite sides of the scales. Such a comparison would enable the adherent of this alien doctrine to take a truer and humbler estimate of their importance as a body of voters."

It will now become necessary for the Mail and Empire to show that many who voted for the Socialist candidate were not Socialists. Otherwise its own estimate of the strength of the party is proved to have been incorrect.

LIQUOR TRADE CONTROL

The Times has referred to the favorable report of the Scottish temperance commission on the system of dealing with the liquor traffic in Norway. An exchange tells of an interesting experiment that may be tried in the Isle of Man. We quote:-

"Colonel Moore, member for Castletown in the House of Keys, has obtained leave to introduce a bill to amend the licensing laws by enabling a disinterested board under the control of both branches of the legislature sitting in the Tynwald to have direct control of all trade and interest in the retail sale of liquors, thus abolishing all private interest. The bill proposes that the board shall consist of seven members elected by the Tynwald, the board to be empowered to borrow at a rate of interest not exceeding four per cent. money for carrying on the sale of alcoholic liquors, and to arrange with a company of disinterested persons in each licensing district to finance and manage the sale of liquors, such companies to receive four per cent. on paid-up capital, and to pay net profits to the insular revenue. The proportion of public houses is not to exceed one in 700 of the population. During the visitor's season, however, extra places may be provided at the discretion of the board. Retail licenses now held by grocers would be abolished, but the board may open special shops for the sale of liquors to be consumed off the premises. Licenses would be granted to boarding houses of over £40 ratable value. Compensation may be given to owners deprived of licenses at a valuation of ten years' purchase on houses licensed for twenty years or less in proportion, and annual pensions equal to two-thirds of their average income would be given to persons deprived of their livelihood for the same length of time after the act as they secured prior to the act. This, however, is to apply only to persons unfit for service with the board, or unlikely to get other employment. A seventh of the net profits is to form a fund for old age pensions in Douglas."

The following is an extract from a letter from Archbishop Bruchesi of Montreal, read in the Roman Catholic churches in that city last Sunday:

"'A year has passed since we began our campaign against intemperance, and the results are of a nature to rejoice the heart. We must, however, not cease our efforts. We must show everywhere the same zeal. Busy yourselves especially, dear co-workers, with young people and children, as this is the surest way to prepare for the future a sober people. It is on this subject in particular, which I repeat with St. Paul to Timothy: 'Preach the Word; be instant in season and out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all long-suffering and doctrine.' Kindly advise your parishioners to abstain from intoxicating liquors and to offer none on the occasion of New Year's visits."

The Montreal Herald observes:—"The dying race of red men in Canada showed an increase of 1,757 this year over their numbers of the year before. This is nearly two per cent. It is true that the natural augmentation, by excess of births over deaths, is only 182, but even at that there is little danger of the race disappearing. Between annexing other people's Indians and discovering and taking care of our own, we are doing considerably more by our savage population than anyone else on this continent has ever succeeded in doing."

A number of the Armstrong amendments to the United States insurance law are now in force. The amount of business the big companies may do is restricted, advances to agents must cease, the expenditure to secure new business is limited, and detailed reports of dividends, investments, expenses, etc., must be given to the state superintendent of insurance. This will result in more careful business, larger dividends for policy holders, and greater safety for the funds of the insured.

With a record of only seventy-two lynchings in a year in the United States, or an average of six per month, the people have somehow managed to worry along. A much larger number of persons who should have been hanged in due process of law are still at large.

As Police Commissioner O'Meara, of Boston, is a native of Prince Edward Island, it is safe to predict that District Attorney Moran will find that he has waked up the wrong man in that little quarrel over Sunday laws.

The meeting of the New Brunswick Temperance Federation, which will be held in this city on Friday of this week, will doubtless be of interest to politicians as well as to the friends and foes of the liquor traffic.

Many citizens besides those who personally called upon them join in hearty congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas White of this city on the occasion of their golden wedding.

The vastness of Greater New York is indicated by the statement that 111,772 births occurrred in the city dring the past year, while there were 76,206 deaths.

The continued mildness of the weather shortens materially the period of winter severity, but the lumbermen hereabouts would prefer to have more snow.

A Beaconsfield Story

An old story of Lord Beaconsfield has started upon a new career of usefulness. One day, walking about his country place in the easy coat and general careless attire he liked among his farmers, he encountered two women, strong partisans of Mr. Gladstone. Supposing him to be the keeper or gardener or something of that sort, they inquired if he would show them over the place. While they were walking about they overwhelmed him with questions as to the habits of the master of the manor, and one of them finally said:

"Do you think you could manage to get us a sight of the old beast himself?"

"Madam," said Lord Beaconsfield, "the old beast has the honor to wait upon you now."—Westminster Gazette.

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THE FOOL'S MOTHER

—By John G. Neehardt in the January McClure's.

When I—the fool—am dead,
There will be one to stand above my head,
Her wan lips yearning toward my quiet lips
That stung her soul so oft with bitter cries.
And I shall feel forgiving finger-tips,
And I shall hear her saying with her sighs:
"This fool I mothered sucked a bitter breast;
His life was fever and his soul was fire;
O burning Fool! O restless Fool at rest!
None knew but I how high you could aspire,
None knew but I how deep your soul could sink!"

IN LIGHTER VEIN

MUST BUY BOTH.

Chance—"Now that your summer vacation is over, I suppose the principal thing you'll have to save money for is your girl's Christmas present."

Bendick—"No; two presents; hers to me, and mine to her. I married her last week."—Philadelphia Press.

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WHY HE SPENT IT.

"They say you spend all the money your wife makes taking in washing, Sam?"

"Dat's right, sah."

'But, Sam, is that just?"

"Oh, yes, sah; yer see, she's so busy workin' dat she hain't got no time to spend it, sah!"

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ONE SURE MEANS.

Edith—"I'm sure I don't know what to do. I can't keep young Mr. Robertson away. He drops in every night, and he sits and he talks, and I talk—."

Ethel (interrupting)—"But have you tried singing to him?"

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WAS STILL BETTER.

"Yes," observed the minister, "we have just terminated the greatest revival our church has experienced for many years."

"I rejoice to hear it," said his friend; "how many did you add to the fold?"

"Oh, we didn't add any," replied the good man, "but we got rid of three."

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HAD HIM THERE.

"I'm very sorry, but I can't pay that bill today. You see the butcher has just been here, and—"

"Yes," said the grocer. "I just met him, and he said you put him off because you had to pay me. Here's my bill."—Milwaukee Sentinel.

WEDDINGS

Stevens-Dunbar

Woodstock, N. B., Jan. 1.—(Special)—Two of Woodstock's popular young people were married at 4.30 o'clock this afternoon, at the residence of Wm. Dunbar, when Douglas W. C. Stevens, head clerk at Sheasgreens pharmacy, and son of Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Stevens, was married to Miss Katie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Dunbar. Rev. G. D. Ireland officiated in the presence of only the relatives, Mr. and Mrs. I. E. Sheasgreen and Miss Fitzsimmons, very intimate friends. The happy couple were unattended. The presents were many and expensive. They will reside on Elm street.

Weldon-Hickson

The marriage of Ernest P. Weldon, of this city to Miss Maggie Hickson of Springfield, Kings County, took place at 8 o'clock last evening at the residence of Rev. S. Howard, Exmouth street. The wedding was a very quiet one, the happy couple being unattended.

Mr. and Mrs. Weldon left this morning for Kings county where they will visit the bride's parents.

King-Sadler

ANDOVER, Jan. 2—Dr. James Horace King, M. P. P., son of Senator King, and now residing in Cranbrook, B. C. and Miss Nellie May Sadler, daughter of the late Capt. Dexter Sadler were married here at 11 o'clock yesterday morning. The wedding took place in the new Union Baptist church and Rev. Mr. Demmings performed the ceremony. The bride was given away by Frank Sadler, her brother, and attended by her niece, Miss Lena Baird. George Sadler was groomsman, little Miss Millicent Carter, was flower girl and the ushers were Roy Murphy, Herbert Baird, Fred Baird and Frank Rideout.

After the ceremony a luncheon and reception was held at the residence of Senator Baird. Senator King was not present, owing to the illness of Mrs. King, but there were a number of guests from a distance, including Mrs. Mayes Case, of St. John, who wore blue taffeta silk with lace trimmings and white hat.

Black-Moore

CHARLOTTETOWN, P. E. I., Jan. 2 (Special)—The marriage of Miss Jean Moore, daughter of Lt. Col. Moore, D. O. C., of the Canadian Military district of P. E. Island, to Charles Hibbert Black, of Pugwash, N. S., took place today in the First Methodist church, Rev. William Dobson officiating. Miss Fanny Farquharson, daughter of the late Hon. Donald Farquharson was bridesmaid, and W. A. Black, M. A., groomsman.

McKenzie-Thompson

James W. McKenzie, a popular employe of the Canadian Pacific Railway's dining car service, and Miss Jennie E. Thompson will be married this evening by Rev. A. B. Cohoe, the ceremony taking place at the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. Aubrey Covey, 7 Hospital street. Both the contracting parties have many friends who have already given tangible evidence of their esteem. Mr. and Mrs. McKenzie will reside in St. John.

Sabean-Sloan

The Windsor, N. S., correspondent of the Halifax Recorder says: Captain Lemuel H. Sabean, who recently arrived in St. John, N. B., with his vessel from the south was married here on Thursday last to Miss May Sloan, second daughter of John Sloan. The ceremony took place at the residence of the bride's father, Nesbit street. The Rev. P. W. Johnson, M. A., officiated, and Captain and Mrs. Sabean left the same morning for St. John, where they will reside on Queen street.

RECENT WEDDINGS

SACKVILLE, Jan. 1—The marriage of Miss Annie Robinson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Robinson, and Walter R. S. Spence of Botsford, was solemnized yesterday at the Methodist parsonage. Rev. J. L. Dawson was the officiating clergyman. Miss Leonora Keith and J. R. Wheaton, of Sackville, were married at Woburn, Mass., on the 19th of December. Rev. Dr. Henry B. Williams performed the ceremony. A reception was held at the residence of the bride's parents, 7 Chestnut street, Woburn, after which the happy couple left for a wedding trip to Sackville. The marriage of Miss Annie L. Tower, of Rockport, and Henry Tower of the same place, is announced for the 16th inst. Invitations have been issued to the marriage of Miss Janet Brownell, of Baie Verte, and Robert Maxwell, of Sydney, C. B., to take place on the 9th inst.

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COATSWORTH IS ELECTED

He is Chosen Mayor of Toronto by Majority of 4000.

Toronto, Jan. 1.—The municipal election in Toronto today resulted in the return of Mayor Coatsworth by a majority of about 4,000 over his competitors, Lindala and Nobles. Mayor Coatsworth's poll was about 13,000, Lindall following with about 8,000.

The by-law to authorize the city to enter into a contract with the Hydro-electric Power Commission to supply power to the city was carried by a vote of 9,530 to 2,443, though the returns are not yet complete. This is a very large vote on a money by-law in Toronto. Three other by-laws submitted, to authorize the issue of bonds for a bridge across the railroad tracks on Yonge street, were all defeated.

Controllers elected were: H. C. Hocken, W. P. Hubbard, Dr. Harrison, J. J. Ward. Ward and Hubbard were members of last year's board of control.

INJURED IN DRUNKEN BRAWL

As a result of a drunken brawl Francis Stafford, a sailor, is lying at the hospital with a broken ankle and other injuries of a less serious nature. He and two companions, one of them William Quinn, who is now under arrest, had been drinking together, and, when coming out of a barroom on Water street Stafford's companions became aggressive, and in the mix-up he was injured as already stated. He was taken to Water street lock-up and Dr. Berryman was summoned and ordered his removal to the hospital. Stafford is a member of the crew of the steamer Manchester Importer.

WEDDED AT MONCTON

Moncton, Jan. 1.—Almost steady rain during the day contributed to a very quiet New Year's in Moncton.

The residence of G. P. Bolton was the scene of a pretty wedding at 12 o'clock today when his sister, Miss Grace L. Bolton, formerly superintendent of the Carleton county hospital, was married to Charles D. Richards, principal of the Woodstock grammar school. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Allan A. Rideout, of Fredericton, in the presence of immediate friends. The bride was the recipient of many handsome gifts. The groom's present was a set of mink furs. Mr. and Mrs. Richards left on the C. P. R. for St. John and Fredericton before taking up their residence at Woodstock.

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