

STRESS OF THE COAL FAMINE CAUSES WHOLESAL STEALING

People Board the Slow Coal Trains in Motion—Negro Prisoner Shoots an Alabama Sheriff and Escapes—Morocco's Pretender Gaining Ground—Kabyle Tribes All Join His Standard—Sultan's Undisciplined Troops Sell Their Arms.

ROBBING THE COAL CARS. HOOSICK, FALLS, N. Y., Jan. 12.—(Special)—The coal situation has reached a serious stage and there is much suffering. The only way to get coal is to rob the cars consigned to New England points. HOW THE STEALING IS DONE. Every night people equipped with bags, baskets and barrels board the slowly moving freight trains and supply themselves.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. Jan. 12.—(Special)—While Sheriff Ree's was taking two negroes to the train one pulled a revolver killing him. Both negroes escaped. THE PRETENDER MAY ESCAPE. MADRID, Jan. 12.—(Special)—A despatch from Melilla, Morocco announces that all the Kabyle tribes have joined the Pretender. The Sultan's troops are absolutely undisciplined and are selling their arms and ammunition to the Pretender.

BIRTH NOTICE SENT BY THE WIRELESS WAY.

Marconi Successfully Transmitted a Message to the London Times During a Howling Blizzard Tuesday Night.

SYDNEY, Jan. 7.—The first real live news transmitted by wireless telegraphy across the Atlantic was sent by Mr. Marconi late last night from the Table Head station to the London Times during a violent storm. At about ten o'clock it began to snow hard and a north east wind began to blow shortly afterwards and at eleven o'clock the worst blizzard of the year was raging around the Table Head station. The snow came down thick and fast the wind blew at a velocity of sixty miles an hour and started to say there were intermittent flashes of lightning, and the faint rumbling of thunder was heard. When the storm was at its height Mr. Marconi decided that he had an opportunity to test the power of his wireless station under the most adverse conditions. He wished to see if a violent storm had any effect on the transmission of the messages and more than that he wished to ascertain also what effect if any an electrical storm had on wireless communication. Like all the young Italian's undertakings this one was a complete triumph and he demonstrated conclusively that the element, such as gales and lightning could not in the least interfere with wireless telegraphy. The first message was sent to the London Times. It read;

"Times, London. "Please insert following in birth column: Third January, the wife of R. N. Vyvian, chief electrical engineer Marconi Canadian station, of daughter." (Sgd.) "G. Marconi." The next message sent was to Mrs. Frawley, mother of Mrs. Vyvian. It read: "Frawley, Weymouth. "Daughter born 3rd January. Both well." (Sgd.) Vyvian." Both messages went through without the slightest hitch and Mr. Marconi declares that not the slightest difficulty will be encountered in sending messages during a storm. There was also a severe storm raging in England at the time. Mr. Marconi was asked by the Chronicle's correspondent to give a name to the wireless messages. He replied that he had given some consideration to the matter, but had not yet determined on a suitable name. He did not like the name Marconi because it brought his own name too prominently to the fore. "Wireless messages" was too lengthy a nomenclature and he thought the word ethergram would not prove popular. "I fear we will have some difficulty in finding a suitable name," added Mr. Marconi. The inventor stated that the wireless line between Cornwall and Cape Cod passed directly over Sydney. He added that he could send a wireless message now as easily to Vancouver from Table Head as to Cornwall from Table Head. In fact a message could now be sent to any part of the world. After the establishment of operations between North America and Great Britain, Mr. Marconi will turn his attention to establishing a line between Italy and South America. He will leave Sydney on Monday.

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CITY COUNCIL IN SESSION THE FINANCES DISCUSSED

The Statement Presents a Most Creditable Showing—Reports From the Different Committees—Many Matters of Public Interest Discussed by the Board—City Officials Eulogized by the Members of the Council.

The regular annual meeting of the City Council was held last night, Mayor Warburton presiding and all the Councillors but Coun Grant present. After routine Mayor Warburton submitted his annual report dealing with the events of the past year. Coun Wear in referring to the financial statement reviewed the different items and believed that the excellent showing made could not be duplicated in Canada. He thought as a Fire Board they had done their duty; the apparatus and fire department was never in a better condition. He outlined improvements such as supplying new hose reels, hook and ladder truck, and training the horses for the engines. He claimed the main pipe leading to the city was never in a better condition as it had settled and was now properly embedded in the earth. He would oppose a second main unless sufficient revenue could be obtained from extra patrons along the route to pay the interest on the debentures. He censured the alleged statement of the engineer at the Pumping Station that the pressure was weak at recent fires because he was afraid the well might be exhausted, and thought if he had said such he should be dismissed. In closing he eulogized the work of the City Clerk, the City Collector and the City Surveyor.

Coun Moore thanked the previous speaker, for his commendation of the Fire Department. Coun Paton in submitting the report of the Street Committee referred to the habit of sweeping paper on the streets, the abolition of wooden drains, the opening of the avenue to the west of Government Pond, the planting of trees, the macadamizing of streets, permanent sidewalks etc. He pointed out that the increase in the wages have given better labor at less money. Coun Stewart submitted the report of the Police Committee. He mentioned the new uniforms that had been supplied, the inadequate police force, etc, and hoped the force would be increased or a patrol wagon purchased. He praised the Marshall for the excellent record he had kept of the electric lights that were "out." Coun Hooper read the report of the Public Property Committee. In the City Building the water supply had been improved, the building had been repaired, the drives, fences, etc., of the Victoria Park had been made better and the Government Pond and surroundings had been cleaned. References were also made to the City wharves and dumping ground at the head of Pownal, a tree nursery at Victoria Park, new market scales, loss of the market house and means of beautifying Spring Park. Coun Clarke before reading the report of the Market House Committee spoke highly of the City officials. He submitted a form of agreement for stall holders in the new shack, making rent payable in advance, which was approved of. Coun Moore added his voice to the words of praise for the City officials. Coun Stewart as chairman of the committee to construct the temporary market, read his report. The total cost was \$867.61. The report was unanimously adopted. Coun Hooper thought that at the time there was too much haste in the matter. He was of opinion the shack would not be suitable especially in summer time. In his opinion McKinley's building on Great George street would be more suitable. Coun Paton expressed the thanks of the citizens and country people to the committee. Coun Lyons referred to the deep interest his fellows has taken in the civic work during the year. He congratulated the city and the officials upon the successful showing of the year. A communication was read from a number of citizens for the use of the Park Roadway for speeding purposes during the winter. The request was granted. Saunders & Newsom made application to erect a partition on the eastern end of the Market shack. Permission was granted after somewhat heated discussion, Coun Wear dissenting. Wheatley & Co. wrote the Council outlining their plan to be constructed next year and asking for exemption for ten years from taxation. Coun Wear would not be prepared to act till he knew fully what Wheatley & Co. proposed. Coun Hooper was opposed to all exemptions. He had heard it on good authority that the D. P. Company paid 1/4 of a cent a pound more for hogs outside of the City. Such was not for the benefit of the City. The communication was allowed to lie on the table. Coun Lyons gave notice that at next meeting he would move that a light be placed on King Street between Pownal and Queen. Coun Wear for the Fire Board reported that the charge of negligence in W W Harper's fire were unfounded. His remarks were endorsed by Coun Moore. On motion of Coun Hooper \$25 was given to John McCourt an old city employe. Coun Moore moved, seconded by Coun Clarke, that the grant of \$350 be paid to the Queen Square Gardens Committee. Coun Wear moved in amendment seconded by Coun Hooper that the amount be withheld till a member of the Council be appointed on the Committee. After discussion a motion that the matter stand over till next meeting was carried. Coun Stewart submitted photographs and estimates of a patrol wagon. The matter was referred to the Police Committee. The question of consolidating the City by-laws was referred to a committee of Couns Paton and Stewart. Council adjourned.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT RECEIPTS

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Includes Milk Vendors Licenses, Horse and Carriage Tax, City Weigh Scales, Market Rents, Market Tolls, Miscellaneous, Bank Licenses, Pownal Wharf, Auctioneers Licenses, Insurance Companies Licenses, Queen's Wharf, Nomination Fees, The Police Court, Queen's Wharf Warehouse, Truckmen Licenses, Dog Tax, Government Grant (Fire Dept.), Real Estate Tax, 1901, Personal Property Tax, 1901, Poll Tax, 1901, Water Debentures Issued, City Debentures Issued, Water and Sewerage Tax Fund.

PAYMENTS

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Includes The amount expended and ordered to be paid by the City Council, from January 1st to December 31st, 1902, for Civic purpose, Expenditures are charged to the following appropriations or accounts: The City Government, The Police Department, The Fire Department, Charlottetown Light & Power Co., Ltd., The Market House, Maintenance of Streets, Assessing and Collecting Taxes, Interest and Discount, Maintenance of Victoria Park, Board of Health, Insurance, Miscellaneous, Macadamizing Streets, City Hall, Government Pond, Permanent Sidewalks, Pownal Wharf.

RUMORS OF LAURIER'S RETIREMENT FROM TORONTO AND OTTAWA

Mayor Cook's Message Favors the Extension of the I. C. R. to Georgian Bay—Work of the Government Fish Hatcheries—Shipments of Spawn to Australia—Poisoned by Canned Tomatoes But Will Recover.

WORK OF THE HATCHERIES. OTTAWA, Jan. 12.—(Special)—There were 280,000,000 eggs of salmon, white fish, pickerel and lobsters hatched out and placed in Canadian waters during the past year. SHIPMENTS ABROAD—NEW HATCHERIES. The Government made large shipments of British Columbia salmon to Australia and New Zealand. Four new hatcheries were built during the year.

SIR WILFRID'S PROBABLE RETIREMENT. TORONTO, Jan. 12.—(Special)—The World's correspondent wires that eyes political all turn to Ottawa and ask Sir Wilfrid Laurier when will he retire? This is the question on every politician's tongue. WILL REMAIN PREMIER ONE MONTH. At the Cabinet meeting Sir Wilfrid agreed to remain with his colleagues one month longer.

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MAJOR COOK'S MESSAGE. Mayor Cook in his inaugural address says the union of Canadian municipalities will promote legislation to get rid in cities and towns of the poles and wires of companies working on Dominion charters. FAVORS EXTENDING THE I. C. R. The Mayor favors the purchase of the Canada Atlantic by the Intercolonial and its extension to Georgian Bay.

FINANCIAL RESULT OF YEAR 1902.

By referring to the Income Account you will observe that the receipts for the year 1902 are in excess of all expenditure by \$2,552.93 which added to the uncollected Civic Taxes of 1902, \$66.10, makes a gain to the City for the year of \$2,619.03, and deducting the unpaid accounts for 1902, \$2,050.00, there is a balance of \$569.03 in favor of the City in the year's transactions which is placed to the credit of Capital Account.

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Includes year 1902, the following: City Debentures redeemed, There has been paid on account of Floating Debt during the year 1902, the following: Unpaid Accounts, 1901, Total Ordinary City Debt December 31st, 1902, The amount of City Debt on account of Water Works, Dec. 31st, 1901, was \$210,000.00, Water Debentures issued during the year, \$230,000.00, The amount of City Debt on account of Sewerage Works, Dec. 31st, 1901, was \$148,000.00, Total Debt of City, Dec. 31st, 1902, \$605,931.62, H. M. DAVISON, City Clerk, City Clerk's Office, Dec. 31st, 1902.

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