

THE CITIZENS' MEETING.

Market Hall Thronged.

ROUSING SPEECHES MADE.

The Resolutions Submitted.

The public meeting held in the Market Hall last evening, to consider the amendments made to the new City Bill by the Legislative Council, was largely attended, every foot of space being occupied. His Worship Mayor Haviland presided, and the undersigned acted as Secretary. The representatives of the city in the House of Assembly, Messrs. Blake and McLeod, occupied seats on the platform.

The chairman, in opening, explained that the meeting had been first called for Tuesday afternoon at four o'clock, as it was not deemed advisable to hold it in the evening owing to the concert in Y. M. C. A. Hall in aid of the Public Library, which had been previously advertised. Neither could the meeting be held on Monday night on account of the special meeting of the City Council for passing the Assessment Bills. Whilst presiding at the Council meeting on Monday evening he had received a note from Messrs. Blake and McLeod asking him to postpone the meeting until Wednesday evening at 7.30 o'clock as they had received the consent of the Leader of the Government to adjourn the discussion on the Bill until Thursday morning. The Council granted the request, and he now declared the meeting open, trusting that as the question was an important one, it would be well conducted.

HON. NEIL McLEOD was the first speaker. He said that as those present were well aware, the City Council had deemed it necessary to have the civic statutes incorporated in one bill, and had placed that bill in the hands of the representatives of the city in the House of Assembly, for submission to that body. This had been done, and the bill passed the House with trivial amendments. When it came up for consideration in the Legislative Council, however, that body saw fit to make certain amendments thereto. One or two of these amendments were not of very great importance; but one of them we deemed it advisable to have an expression of opinion upon before we took decisive action. That one related to the electing of City Councillors, providing for their election by a vote of the whole city, instead of by wards as at present, each citizen having a vote in every ward in which he owned property. We at first decided to hold the meeting at four o'clock yesterday afternoon, as we thought the bill would come up for consideration the following morning; but after obtaining the consent of the Leader of the Government that its consideration should not take place until to-morrow we deemed it advisable to have the meeting postponed until this evening in order that there should be a good representation—that the large and intelligent body of working men in the city should have an opportunity of attending and giving expression to their views on the subject. We are desirous of carrying out the views of the electors. If the citizens desire that the proposed change be made we are content; if they desire that the present system continue we are also content. All we require is an expression of opinion. We shall be glad to carry out whatever decision this meeting comes to. In conclusion he expressed the hope that the meeting would be well conducted and that the question would be discussed and decided upon its merits.

P. BLAKE, Esq., M. P. P., followed. He said he was much pleased at seeing so many people present, as the question upon which an expression of opinion was asked was a very important one. The proposed amendments involved a radical change in the mode of electing City Councillors, and before voting aye or nay on the subject he had deemed it advisable to ascertain whether or not the people were favorable thereto. Hence this large and respectable meeting. He had been told outside that the calling of the meeting was not a proper course for them to have taken—that they were elected to act on their own judgment. He did not take this view of the matter. He believed that they would not be doing right by their constituents if they voted upon the question without ascertaining the views of the people. Since this question had come up we had been waited upon in the Legislative Library by two deputations. The first asked us to adopt the amendments, and the second to oppose them. We were thus in a dilemma, and did not know what course to pursue. He said he did not come to the meeting to dictate to the electors, nor to tell them what his opinions were; but to ascertain what way they desired him to vote. A few days ago some of the City Councillors waited upon them in reference to the importance of consolidating the statutes of the city. At that time he had heard the rumor that this change in the manner of electing Councillors was embodied in the bill, and he asked them if such was the case. They said no. If they had such change in contemplation it was only right that it should have been put in the bill at first, and have it discussed in the proper place. His opinion was that before submitting the bill the Council should have called the electors together to see if there were any changes they might desire. He did not want to say anything now about the manner in which the City Council conducted affairs, but he thought they did not treat us right in the present instance. However, the amendments have been made and it is now for you to say whether we, as your representatives, shall accept or reject them. If the amendments were rejected the whole bill would fall to the ground. He did not deem it necessary to say anything further on the subject, but would await the action of the meeting.

F. L. HAZARD, Esq., believed that the Council should be elected by a vote of the whole city, the same as the Mayor, and he intended moving a resolution to that effect. Under the present system the representation was very unequal, Wards One, Two and Three electing six men, while Wards Four and Five only elected four. The vote in the two latter wards was much larger than in the three former, yet they elected a less number of representatives. He thought that if the Councillors were elected by the

whole city the representation would be more equal. He was also of opinion that if we had a less number of representatives, say five, we would be better governed. If no reduction in numbers was to be made, we should have the ten elected by the whole city. In the election of the Water Commissioners we had a good test of the cumulative system. He thought all were satisfied with the men chosen, and he did not see why we could not do as well in the matter of electing Councillors. He moved the following resolution:—

Resolved, That in the opinion of this meeting, all the electors of the city should be privileged to vote for each of the City Councillors.

HON. DANIEL DAVIES seconded the motion. He was of opinion that we would be better represented if the Councillors were elected by a vote of the whole city. However, he thought the present representatives were good men. He was a strong party man, and thought it would be better if the elections were run on party lines. If the Conservatives were victorious, we would hold them responsible for the manner in which affairs were conducted, and the same with the Liberals. However, that was only his opinion.

M. P. HOGAN, Esq., differed with the last speaker. He could not see any sense in the proposed change. It looked very much like governing Ireland in England. He thought the people of Wards One, Two and Three could look after their own interests better than if they were ruled by Wards Four and Five. He then went on to explain his action while a member of the citizens' committee some years ago, stating that he then opposed a poll tax of \$5 per head to raise a revenue for school purposes, as well as the paying of poll tax by those who paid real estate and personal property tax, and that it was through his influence the poll tax was not made \$5 instead of \$2 as at present. He also explained that the action he took in connection with the Scott Act was at the request of his spiritual director. He said he made these explanations to set himself right with the people, many of whom were not acquainted with the true state of affairs.

MR. A. DESROCHE was opposed to the change, as under it Ward Five would be worse off than ever. HENRY RACKEM, Esq., said that under the present arrangement the representation at the Council Board was very unequal and submitted figures showing that Wards Four and Five, although polling a larger number of votes than the other three, only elected four of the ten representatives. On this account he was in favor of the change. He was also in favor of a reduction in the number of Councillors. He thought that Messrs. Blake and McLeod would not have made a mistake had they voted for the bill without giving this meeting the chance they did.

THOMAS Z. TAYLOR, Esq., thought that things were quite well as they were at present. Last year Ward Five got most of the money expended and he did not see that they had much to complain of. He did not think it was right to have Orient Division run the city, and he trusted that the people would not allow them. He was a Grit to the backbone, but was well pleased with the action of Messrs. Blake and McLeod in the present instance.

W. E. DAWSON, Esq., was opposed to the amendments and hoped they would not pass. As a citizen he argued that the Council had no right to make amendments to the Bill. If the amendments were defeated to-night it did not follow that the whole bill would fall through, as everything would depend upon the action of the Council. He thought that Mr. Rackem, in summing up the figures he advanced, cut his own argument from under his feet. He tells us that the resolution should be adopted, because we would have more equal representation. His (Mr. D.'s) idea was that the minority as well as the majority had rights which should be respected. Under the proposed system the two large wards, if they pulled together, could elect the whole ten Councillors and the minority would have no representation. He moved the following resolution:—

Resolved, That the present mode of electing the Mayor and City Councillors has the approval of this meeting.

M. P. HOGAN, Esq., seconded the motion.

WILLIAM DODD, Esq., would like to know what good would result from the passing of the proposed amendments, and from what source they emanated. COUNCILLOR BYRNE admitted the way in which our representatives in the House of Assembly had acted in the present instance. At a meeting of the City Council held some time ago it was decided to have the civic statutes consolidated. No change was contemplated when the Bill was sent to the House, and it passed without amendment. When the Bill got to the Legislative Council the amendment relative to the mode of electing Councillors was made, and in obedience to outside dictation six members of the City Council carried a resolution in favor of the change. Four members of the Council thought the present arrangement good enough, and demanded a reason for the change. The reason never came. To-night no reason had yet been advanced. After the Council had passed this resolution, a deputation, who said they represented a meeting of some thirty citizens held in the Legislative Library, at which a resolution endorsing the amendments had been carried, entered the Chamber and submitted their resolution to the Council. We asked them to give us some reason for desiring the change but none was advanced. The only shadow of a reason yet offered was that given by Mr. Hazard, who said that some wards were larger than others. If the change be made on that account, we might as well alter the whole system of running elections throughout the Dominion. By the new system, minority representation would be wiped out. Under it (Mr. B.) would not be elected, and his ideas would not find an outlet. Another contention was that under the proposed change there would be better men elected. Certainly, they might get a better man than himself; but he felt satisfied that there were nine men at the

Board who were as good as any nine men that could be got together. He was yet unconvinced that any good would result from the proposed change, and felt confident that the amendment would be carried.

J. P. TANTON, Esq., believed in ward representation, as under the present system minorities would have no representatives at the Council Board. At the same time he held that the wards should be equalized as nearly as possible. Four years ago, he said, Ward One paid \$6,150 into the City treasury; Ward Two, \$4,200; Ward Three, \$2,900; Ward Four, \$6,165; Ward Five, \$8,300. He thought the disparity between these wards was too great, and that the time had come for a readjustment. He did not believe in reducing the number of Councillors, as if we had but five, one man by his casting vote could plunge the city into debt. He moved the following amendment to the amendment:—

Resolved, That this meeting is of opinion that our Legislature ought to readjust the several Wards of the City, on account of the relative disproportion now existing between the said Wards, both in assessment and population, and that the said readjustment ought to be such as to make the various Wards equal in these particulars as far as convenient.

PHILLIP LARGE, Esq., seconded the motion.

W. E. DAWSON, Esq., thought this amendment did not touch the amendment proposed by him, and should be waived for the present.

The Chairman decided that the amendment was out of order; but said that it could be moved later on as an original motion.

HON. D. DAVIES thought that the proposed change broadened instead of narrowed the privileges of citizens.

COUNCILLOR MORRIS said we owed much to Messrs. Blake and McLeod for calling this meeting. They had ward representation everywhere else and it had worked well. He thought that under the new arrangement Wards Four and Five would be able to rule the other three, and that there would be no such thing as minority representation. The amendments were concocted in some secret conclave and the Council had no right to make them.

Mr. Dawson's amendment was here put to the meeting and carried by a large majority.

Mr. Tanton's motion was then put and declared lost.

After the hearty votes of thanks accorded Messrs. Blake and McLeod and the chairman had been acknowledged, the meeting dispersed after giving hearty cheers for the city members, Messrs. Blake and McLeod.

H. MACINNIS, Secretary.

MARRIED.

At the residence of the bride's father, on the 23rd inst., by Rev. E. Slackford, Mr. Murdoch McLeod, of Cardigan Head, to Miss Christy Ellen Chandler, of North Milton, Queens Co.

DIED.

Entered into rest at Ross Valley, March 13th, Archibald Gillies, aged 81 years.

At St. Andrews, on the 21st inst., Margaret Catherine McIsaac, the beloved wife of Aeneas McDonald, aged 36 years, leaving a sorrowing husband and three children to mourn the loss of a kind and affectionate mother. May her soul rest in peace.

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