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TUESDAY, 29th day of March, 1904. LOT 10, NORTH OF FRANCIS STREET AND SOUTH OF COLBORNE STREET. This large parcel comprises the Homestead residence, with outbuildings and fruit garden, and may be tendered for in one block or for North and South separately.

TOWN FATHERS IN SESSION

MESSRS. CONNOLLY AND SPIER THE ASSESSORS FOR 1904-5.

Big Batch of Communications.—Mr. Fremont Crandall Appointed a Member of the Board of Health. Our town fathers met in regular monthly session Tuesday night in the Council chamber, business being taken up at 7.30 sharp.

Communications. From Mr. H. McGoough, applying for the position of Town Commissioner.—Board of Works. From Thos. Connolly, applying for the position of assessor for 1904-5.—Laid on the table.

From Mr. F. Angley, Oxford Co. secretary Ontario Municipal Union, asking council to endorse and forward to the Legislature a resolution in favor of the new legislation making a change in the method of electing County Councils.

From C. B. Naylor, on behalf of the Waverley Club, Lindsay, applying for the use of the Council chamber for a dance to be given on the evening of April 12th.—Granted.

From D. J. McAlpine, M.H.O., certifying that one Wm. Daoust was a fit subject for hospital attendance as a town patient.—Fyled.

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committees were read by the respective chairmen and adopted.

Board of Works, Ald. O'Reilly, Town Property—Ald. McWatters, Finance and Assessment—Ald. Cinnamon.

A Couple of By-laws. After the first reading of By-laws Nos. 1046 and 1047, appointing two assessors and a member of the Board of Health to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mr. J. Duck, the Council went into committee on the second reading, Ald. Cinnamon in the chair.

The blanks in the Assessors' by-law were filled as follows: Moved by Mayor Sootheran, seconded by Ald. Maunder, that Thos. Connolly be appointed assessor.—Carried.

Moved by Ald. McWatters, seconded by Ald. McCreas, that Robt. Spier be appointed assessor.—Carried. Moved by Mayor Sootheran, seconded by Ald. Maunder, that Mr. Fremont Crandall be appointed a member of the Board of Health, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mr. J. Duck.

Mayor Sootheran—"I have no objection to Mr. Crandall, but the town is looked after by the members of the Board and I think it would be right to appoint an east ward man to fill the south ward vacancy. Mr. Crandall lives on the outskirts."

Ald. O'Reilly—"Mr. Crandall is a good man and he will act. There are no ward boundaries now—they are a thing of the past. The board needs a shaking up—no meeting has been held this year, and they're not reported away."

Mayor Sootheran—"The Board has been doing its duty, even if the proceedings have not been reported. The town has been healthy this winter, which accounts for the few meetings."

Ald. O'Reilly—"Mr. Staples, a member of the Board is here, and I will exonerate him and the Mayor, but there are scores of eye-sockets around the town for which the Board is responsible. It needs some live members—some new blood—to stir things up a bit. Mr. Crandall lives almost alongside the new C.P.R. station and will be a faithful member."

A vote was then taken and Mr. Crandall's appointment was almost unanimous. Aldermen Robinson and Maunder explained that they had been under a wrong impression as to the assessors' salaries—when the by-law was first read they thought the amount read out was \$150, instead of \$160. They considered the former amount sufficient.

Mayor Sootheran—"The assessors formerly received \$125 each, but last year, owing to the growth of the town and the general advance in salaries they asked for \$175. We gave them \$150 each, and I think \$160 this year would be fair."

Aldermen Robinson, Maunder and McWatters thought \$150 was a reasonable figure for the work. Mayor Sootheran—"It's not fair to ask two intelligent men to work four months for \$150 each—it's not an ordinary mechanic's wage."

A vote was taken, and most of the members voted that the remuneration be changed to \$150. King-st. in Darkness. On motion Mr. Staples was heard. He referred to the poor lighting of King-st. east ward, and expressed the hope that the Council would place a lamp west of his store as soon as possible.

SQUADRONS ENGAGE

Russia's Vladivostok Fleet Destroyed by the Japanese.

NO DETAILS OF THE FIGHT

Marquis Ito Goes to Seoul—Believed to Indicate a Virtual Protectorate Over Korea by the Japanese—Concentration of the Mikado's Troops—Vice-Admiral Makaroff Reaches Port Arthur.

London, March 9.—The Daily Telegraph publishes a despatch from Tokio, dated March 7, and saying: "It is reported that the Japanese fleet engaged the Russian Vladivostok squadron at sea yesterday. The result is not announced, but it is believed the Russian ships were destroyed or captured."

Would Appear Quite Likely. London, March 9.—Far Eastern despatches make no further mention of the rumor that the Russian Vladivostok squadron has been engaged and the Tokio correspondent (Bennet Burleigh) of The Daily Telegraph cabling on the night of Tuesday.



CAPTAIN REITZENSTEIN, Commander of the Vladivostok Squadron.

March 8, says: "No details have yet been received of the fight at Vladivostok. The whereabouts of the Vladivostok squadron is still unknown, and it would appear quite likely that a naval battle has occurred, as every one places great faith in The Daily Telegraph's correspondent, Bennet Burleigh."

The sending of Marquis Ito on a mission to Korea is regarded here as the most significant news of the day, and it is believed to indicate a virtual protectorate over Korea, which will become the Japanese military base and source of supplies. Marquis Ito enjoys a great prestige in Korea.

It is reported from Shanghai that Viceroy Alexieff is preparing to remove his headquarters to Harbin, after having in vain ordered the Tartar general to dismiss the Chinese garrison at Mukden. To Seize Newchwang. London, March 9.—In Shanghai it is believed that the Japanese will attempt the seizure of Newchwang as soon as the ice clears. A correspondent of The Daily Express asserts that the Russians are throwing up a continuous line of earthworks at Kaiping to Liaoyang.

The Chefoo correspondent of The Daily Express reports that a large Japanese fleet has been seen proceeding towards Newchwang. Among other unconfirmed reports, it is said at Yinkow that the Japanese have advanced to Fenghoang-cheng (about forty miles northwest of Wiju). It is also reported that news has reached Osaka, Japan, of an engagement between Japanese and Russians at a point 100 miles from Vladivostok, in which the Russians led.

A correspondent of The Daily Telegraph at Tokio says, that according to reports from Port Arthur, the Russian battleship Retvizan and the cruiser Askold have been refloated. It is to Go to Seoul. Tokio, March 9.—The forthcoming visit of Marquis Ito, as a special ambassador from the Emperor of Japan to the Emperor of Korea claims general attention. It was originally planned to send a permanent resident adviser to the Korean Government and various names were suggested. The announcement that Marquis Ito is going is a surprise. In official circles it is insisted that the object of Marquis Ito's visit to Korea is not politically important.

It is denied that Japan has any new plan to execute. It is thought, however, that Marquis Ito will make an investigation of the general conditions in Korea and formulate possibly some recommendations which will be useful in the adoption of a policy for the future. Makaroff Arrives. Port Arthur, March 9.—Vice-Admiral Makaroff, who takes command of the Russian Pacific fleet, arrived here yesterday and hoisted his flag on the cruiser Askold. Four merchantmen have been brought into Port Arthur.

Ordered to Give Passports. Vladivostok, March 9.—The military commandant here has ordered all foreigners to have their passports vized by the Local Government and commercial agents of their respective countries. Most of the residents of Vladivostok are sending their families into the interior. The girls' school and the boys' school will be transferred into the interior.

Hospital Dogs For the War. St. Petersburg, March 9.—The Russian Kennel Club has offered to provide the Red Cross Society with dogs trained to find and relieve the wounded on the battlefield and in rough country districts. These dogs carry restoratives, and a first aid package attached to their collars. The offer probably will be accepted. The offer of a society woman to raise a body of 2,000 Amazons to fight against the Japanese has been greeted with laughter at the War Office. The Gazette urges a boycott of British goods and ships.

A WAR OF RACES.

Ohio Militia Ordered Out to Proceed to Springfield. Springfield, O., March 9.—Threats throughout the day and last evening at the levee, the negro district of the city, caused Mayor G. J. Bowius to ask Governor Herrick for troops. Two companies from Dayton and one each from Miamisburg, Urbana and Columbus, were promised to reinforce the two local companies. Many of the negroes of the city were surly last night and it is believed only slight provocation was needed to start a race war. Crowds of whites gathered in the vicinity of the levee last night and all day police were ordered to report for night duty.

At 9.30 the crowd in the levee district had increased to 1,500 and one or two revolver shots have been fired at random. In contrast with the night before not a negro was to be seen in the downtown districts, although hundreds of them were thought to be heavily armed and awaiting an attack. All saloons throughout the city were closed. At 11.20 the threat of the mob was made good, and a volume of flame was seen to shoot up from the rear of a place occupied by "Les" Thomas, a colored saloon-keeper. At midnight, an entire block in Washington street was on fire.

Militia Ordered Out. Columbus, O., March 9.—Upon urgent requests of Mayor Bowius of Springfield that a race war is imminent, as a result of the lynching of the negro, Dixon, Governor Herrick last night ordered eight companies of militia to Springfield to preserve order. Springfield, Urbana, Dayton, Xenia, Miamisburg and Piqua were called out. Governor Herrick ordered Mayor Bowius to close the saloons and instructed the colored members of Company A, 9th Battalion, to rest on their arms in the armory and see that none of the guns were stolen.

MAN RUNS AMUCK.

Escape of a Finlander at the Village of Rodney, Ont. Rodney, March 9.—Dugald Currie, who lives about three miles north of Rodney, was driving home last Saturday evening and when out of the village about half a mile overtook three young men walking. Recognizing one, whom he was acquainted with, he asked him to get in and have a ride, and, not having room in the buggy, omitted to invite all. One, a young fellow who seems to be not long from Finland, took offence apparently from the partiality and insisted on getting in by first jumping on the back of the buggy, afterwards getting in front and taking hold of the reins and running the horse and vehicle to the side of the road. When Mr. Currie and the other young man — Robinson tried to protect themselves, the fellow pulled a knife and slashed Currie, cutting and tearing his coat, while Robinson got a slash into his flesh in the back and bled profusely. Monday each procured a warrant for his arrest, and Constable Ludy went to where he was working and brought him in, lodging him in jail. Booze, as Currie says, seems to have played a part on the desperate young fellow.

HARMONY IN FISH LAWS.

Conference Between Ontario and U.S. Lake States Now On. Detroit, Mich., March 9.—A conference began here yesterday between S. T. Bastard, Deputy Fish Commissioner of Ontario, and representatives of the Fish Commissions of several States bordering on the Great Lakes, with the hope of arriving at some conclusion that will result in a uniform closed season law.

At present each State fixes its own seasons, and it is difficult for the Canadian authorities to frame laws that will harmonize with the variety of game and fish laws of the border states. It is said that unless a uniform law is agreed upon soon, Ontario will abolish closed season, and make the whole year open for fishermen.

BRIEFS FROM THE WIRES.

Anna Strachan, a governess, aged 26, died at Roosevelt Hospital, New York, from chloral poisoning. Two sailors on a stranded Uruguayan barque at Fernandina, Fla., mutinied, and threatened the crew with knives. King Alfonso has signed decrees ratifying the arbitration convention between Spain and Great Britain and Spain and France.

Aaron Stewart and his son fought with W. H. Hill and his two sons with pistols at Varden, Miss., over a boundary dispute. Two of the latter were killed. Woman Hanged Here. St. Mary's, March 9.—Mrs. Bruce, wife of Robert Bruce, a well-to-do farmer, of Blanshard, committed suicide Sunday morning, by hanging herself from a beam in a shed adjoining the house. It is a sad case, evidently due to melancholia, preceded by poor health.

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