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Agreement is Reached by

Cochrane, Nov. 30 .- After three years of negotiations it appears that Cochrane's debenture problem with the Ontario government has reached a final was that. settlement and only necessary legislation holds up the agreement.

week when Mayor A. E. Wicks received the government officials' O.K. to the offer made by the council after a recent special meeting and the acceptance of the first cheque from the coun-

issues which had not been presented for Hollinger townsite. 20 years, the Cochrane body having her misfortune was the responsibility make the one remark about the insur- period of three months over the agreed she stuck up her nose and walked levied for the money and used it for of the Hollinger. If something had to ance. He suggested giving the mayor time, could be accounted for partially away," complaining the patient. other purposes when not called for. be done send her to the town's solicitor authority to get the man's job back, by the council's change in the plans, "What else could you expect? That you came home yesterday. Last night Many Cochrane officials were under for advice, he suggested. the impression that the debentures had | The town was not responsible, insist- etic. been passed up in the form of fire and ed the mayor, adding that the house The mayor said that he would try full compensation could be resisted. much? Then get me the foot nurse." to a real row!" epidemic relief to the citizens, as was given to other municipalities in the North, but with the change of government to Liberal, demands were received for the amount plus interest for the years the debentures were not presented.

An amicable settlement provides for the payment of \$3,300 by this year's council and \$3,000 per annum by councils for the next 10 years, in full settlement of the claim which originally amounted to \$67,000.

Coincident with the agreement being promulgated by Queen's Park the town will pay all arrears of Housing Commission payments in a lump sum of \$8,700.

Globe and Mail: What kind of election is expected in New York City on Nov. 8, when 18,000 policemen, including 1,800 detectives, are being instructed as to what to do during the ballot-

ing?

Again Deny Citizen's League Use of Chamber

Mayor Absolves Self of Blame in First Refusal but Councillor Wren Indulges in Repartee. "Cut Out Propaganda," Councillor Brunette Tells Mayor.

League to be allowed to use the coun- mine. cil chambers for a meeting on Wednes- How was that property private, askrequest was made by Eugene Lafon- the streets in that section. taine, who, in addition to being secre- The mayor said that if it wished to

Immediately Mayor Bartleman ab- The mayor subsided and it was desolved himself of all blame for the cided to have Mr. Montgomery, town action of the council. He was eloquent | clerk, make an appointment for Mrs. in his denials of any responsibility for Tessier to see the town solicitor. the decision.

told that it was against the law to have the council chambers used for law to for No Statement have the council chambers used for purposes of municipal politics. Still, so far as he personally was concerned, he was not to blame. Why, he believed, organizations such as the Timmins Citizens' League should be assisted and work in harmony with the council. Why, he asked, looking accusingly and sadly at Councillor Wren, should these organizations with which the council had always been on such peaceful relations, be stirred up.

Councillor Wren's brusque, factual reply was in decided contrast to the sweetly sympathetic tone adopted by the mayor. The decision, he said, was made by the finance committee. It was arrived at because of the wellcould not be used for political meetings. The Citizens' League wanted the it was published. chambers to nominate candidates. Therefore, their meeting was political. the chambers.

"You were notified that the meeting was going to be held. You were not present. The decision of the Finance Committee was unanimous. If you wanted to hold a political meeting," he said to the mayor, "you would not use the council chambers. You would hire

"But I am not an organization," said

"You could form one as substantial as some," said Councillor Wren, adding that the mayor should back the "I was not informed-," began His

Worship. "Not informed?" barked Councillor Wren. "It was your Secretary who

called and notified me.'

isted the mayor. Mr. Laforcaine thought that Coun-

cillor Wren had a wrong idea of what the Citizens' League was. Its members consisted of respectable citizens.

that he did get the mayor's member- town of Timmins to publish a financial ship fee, whereupon His Worship statement." It was signed by E. H. launched off into a commentary to the Horton, deputy minister of municipal effect that he was always ready to affairs. assist worthy organizations, etc.

Finally after Mr. Lafontaine asked for the use of the chambers on Wednesday, Councillor Wren again insist- said, and was fired when he needed Cochrane and Province ing that they could not legally be used an operation. He were on at some for political purposes, asked members length despite protests from councillors of council if they wished to rescind that his case was one for the relief the decision of the Finance Committee. All said no but the mayor, so that

Later during the meeting members concern examined the insurance policy of council unsheathed the sharp edges he had while working with the Hol- would 'employ only good respectable The matter was finally clinched last of their tongues. A Mrs. Tessier, who linger. Finally he handed it back with drivers that had no connection with has appeared several times before the a remark to the effect that the policy beer agencies." Matter was referred council, was present to ask for dam- was in force only when the man was to the Chief of Police. ages occasioned her home by flood on the payroll. When he needed it waters. .

A request of the Timmins Citizens' was on private property, owned by the

day night met with refusal from the ed Councillor Brunette. Could the council on Monday afternoon. The Hollinger forbid a citizen to walk on

tary of the league is also a candidate to could. He added patronizingly for council at the forthcoming muni- "You see, you don't understand al these things."

"By whose order and what authority | "Oh bunk, cut all that propaganda, was the league recently frobidden to exploded Councillor Brunette. "It is use the council chambers," asked Mr. not difficult to understand all thee you

Cost of \$220 Too Much for Statement Only Auditors Could Understand.

Explanation of why the town of Timmins did not publish a financial statement this year was forthcoming at the regular meeting of council held on Monday afternoon.

Councillor Roberts brought the subject up. He had heard several comments, he said, on the reason why the town did not publish a statement. He realized, of course, that ninety-nine per cent. of the cicizens of Timmins and known law that municipal buildings ninety-nine per cent. of the members of council would not understand it if

In the present campaign, said Councillor Wren, there were a few candi-Therefore, they legally could not use dates who immediately seized on the fact that a statement was not published and were ready to make an election issue out of it.

It was not published, he added, for two reasons. The first was that it would cost \$220 to publish a statement which did not give a true picture of the town's finances, as it only included part of the year, and which would not be understood by anyone other than an auditor. The second was that the Ontario Municipal Board said that it was not necessary. Those were the reasons. The present council had nothing to hide. Rather, it might be proud of its financial record.

Mayor Bartleman did not include himself among the ninety-nine per cent of the members of council who would not understand the statement. Coun-"I knew nothing of it," blandly in- | cillor Wren should speak for himself,

> "Only an auditor could understand it," insisted Councillor Wren.

The letter from the Municipal Board which authorized the council to omit Why even the mayor was a member. | the printing this year was sent for. In "Did you get your fee?" asked the part it said, "In view of the conversation I had with the town treasurer last Smiling broadly, the secretary said week it will not be necessary for the

When the mayor called for deputations a man came to the front. He formerly worked at the Hollinger, he committee to deal with. The mayor was soliticious for the man's welfare apparently and with a great show of mon it was invalid.

The mayor suggested that the clerk | Councillor Wren charged that the ence to the claim of Hill-Clark-Franwrite the Hollinger, and state the wom- mayor had the man come up and tell cis, contractors who built the new The dispute arose from debencure an's claim, as her house was in the his story, even though it was no bust- town hall for money above the price ness of the council to deal with it, just | contracted for. The letter pointed out | Councillor Wren could not see that so that he could find an excuse to that the delay in construction - the put a hot-water bettle at my feet and since he seemed suddenly so sympath- but that the contractors were to some was the head nurse," explained the you came home today. If you come

SCHUMACHER PEOPLE PROUD OF SCHOOL

High and Public. The above sketch gives a good impression of the outside of the public school. What is produced within this building may be judged by the talent that will be shown at the annual concert to be given in the Croatian hall on Monday, Dec. 5th and Wednesday, Dec. 7th, by the pupils of the school.

However, his worship could see some Council Gives Reason Protests Taxing Air Before Town Council standing and this year the high standards of past successes are to be maintained. Of course, all tickets are good

'Why Not Tax Men With Big Feet," Asks George Drew, Protesting By-Law Taxing Signs, Coal Chutes and Fire Escapes. Council Maintains Tax Rental for Use Town Property.

A project against the bylaw which | use of down property. Consequently taxes signs, fire escapes, coal chutes they had to pay for it. Fire escape and areaways was launched by George | which extended out over town property Drew, former mayor of Timmins, at also made their owners liable to what the regular meeting of council on Mon- might be called a rental. day afternoon.

signs which projected over the street as he believed it might be construed as a measure to regulate their crection but he could not see how the council could tax coal chutes, fire escapes and

Using his own case as an example

Mr. Drew said that he placed a fire escape on his office building in accordance with the exact instructions given him by the building inspector It cost \$500 to construct. Now, having placed it there to preserve public life he got a bill taxing him for ic. Al areaways were built with the consent and approval of the council and now when buildings had them it was impossible to make alterations to away with them, owners found a "discriminatory tax" slapped on them.

Mr. Drew described the tax as "nuisance tax." Why not tax awnings windows, men with big hats and big feet, he asked. It was just as sensible town where, literally, the air was tax- Mr. Drew.

said the mayor. When it was neces- inside fire escapes and no signs and sary to put in coal the four or five thus were not liable under the tax. nches of hard snow packed over them | "I did not intend to tell of it," said was removed to allow entry of fuel or Mr. Drew, "but I know of a \$15,000 whatever was going in. When they were or \$20,000 building that was contemclosed again the areaway was not level plated and not built because of such with the street. It was four or five taxes. inches lower and people were liable to slip and fall and come on the town for damages.

Furthermore, added the mayor, the cwners of such areaways were making

and get the man's job back, and this reporter made a note to get in touch paign," caustically commented Counwhat extent the mayor succeeded.

A letter was received from C. W Hodgins asking for permission to open a taxi and snowmobile taxi business. Mr. Hodgins said in the letter that he

A letter was received from the legal firm of Caldbick and Yates in refer-

"Why not a tax on emergency brak-

He could see some reason in the es," countered Mr. Drew. "They rip part of the bylaw which taxed swinging up the public streets. Why not a tax on the maple trees in front of my house? Icicles might fall off them and spoil a lady's hat.

"I mentioned it to the Deputy Fire Marshal when he was in Timmins recently, and he said that he thought taxing fire escapes was the most ridiculous thing he had ever heard of, said Mr. Drew.

"He told me the same thing," said Fire Chief Alex Borland, who did not, however, pass any comment on the

Councillor Wren said that he had! At the twilight recital, no announceof regulation but as a source of re- take part in the programe. venue for the town.

"I don't know what revenue the tax to place a tax on fences or maple has raised but I'll venture to say that trees as it was to cax such things as the tax has discouraged enough buildfire escapes. Timmins was the only ing to more than make up for it," said

Councillor Wren did not agree, add-Areaways caused all kinds of trouble, ing that most modern buildings had

Finally the discussion died down.

The mayor launched into a regret that more citizens did not appear before the council and argue about the "bigger things instead of the petty things they do bring to us."

"And help you in your election camwith the afflicted man and see to cillor Wren. Again the mayor lapsed into temporary silence.

TIMES CHANGE

Mark Twain said that when he was a boy of 14 his father was so ignorant he could hardly stand to have the old man around. But when he got to be 21 he was astonished at how much the old man had learned in seven years.

WAS HEAD NURSE

"Say, doctor, I asked that nurse to exterd liable and that their claim for dector. "Oh, do they specialize that home tomorrow to-night there's going

Schumacher School Concert, Dec. 5 and 7

Event Postponed to Next Week. Note the Dates.

Owing to the illness of one of the star actors in the operetta to be presented at the annual concert of the Schumacher Public School, the event planned to be held Nov. 29th and 30th had do be postponed, the boy taking ill on Monday, the day before the event. It has been decided to hold the concert on Monday and Wednesday of next week, Dec. 5th and 7th. There will be matinees for the children and the concert will be presented each of the two evenings, Monday and Wednesday. The concert will be held in the Croatian hall, Schumacher, on Monday, Dec. 5th and Wednesday, Dec. 7th, and the programme outlined should attract large crowds.

In addition to the opercita, "Peter Rabbit," with its costumes and scenic effects and interesting musical and other features, there will be music and literary numbers by the pupils. The annual concert of Schumacher public school pupils has always been outfor the new dates of the concert. All Schumacher and district people and others interested should make special note of the new dates for the annual school concert-Monday, Dec. 5th, and Wednesday, Dec. 7th.

Music and Literary Club Recital, Dec. 12

Schedule of Meetings of Club for Balance of Season.

The next meeting of the Porcupine Women's Music and Literary Club will take the form of a twlight reckal, to be held in St. Anthony's Roman Catholic Church on Monday, December 12, commencing promptly at 4.15 p.m. All members are requested to be at the church on time, as the performance will begin promptly at scheduled time, and interruption after the beginning of the programe would detract from the pleasure of the event.

supported the bylaw because he felt ments will be made, and audience is that it imposed a just rental on users asked to refrain from applauding. The of public property. The mayor ad- programme planned is made up largely mitted, along with Councillor Wren, of Christmas music, and hymns, and when pressed by Mr. Drew, that the Mr. Herbert Treneer, organist, of the tax was imposed not for the purpose United Church, and Mrs. Stanlake will

The following is a list of the conveners of the meetings in the new Meetings to be held every second and

fourth Monday of the month. First meeting, January-Mrs. Kearns. Mrs. Honey, Mrs. Murphy.

Second meeting, January-Mrs. Sullivan, Mrs. Gabriel, Mrs. Rose, Mrs. Woodbury, Miss Smythe. First meeting, February—Mrs. Ther-

riault, Mrs. Piche, Mrs. Roberts.

Second meeting. February-(open meeting — Mrs. Neame, Mrs. Heaslip, Mrs. Todd. First meeting, March-Mrs. Carson Mrs. Kennedy, Mrs. Fitzgerald.

Second meeting, March-Mrs. Mc-Clinton, Mrs. Adams, Mrs. Lafontaine First meeting, April-Will be a special request programme. Second meeting, April - Business

meeting and election of officers. All medings except the open meetings, will be held in the Harmony Hall, Fourth Ave., and the place of the open meetings will be announced at an early

Orange Lodge Now Meets Second and Fourth Mondays

Timmins Lodge No. 2552 L.O.L. has changed as meeting night. - Recently the meetings have been held on a Friday in the month. Hereafter there will be two meetings each month, on the second and fourth Friday. Visiting brethren will be welcome at these

Angry Wife: "The night before last

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