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NEW DOME OF STEEL

To Be Erected on the City Buildings.

The City Council So Decides--Architect to Prepare Plans at Once--Tenders to Be Called For Shortly.

It has been decided by the city council to replace the old dome on the city buildings with one of steel frame work and metal sheeting. The city property committee recommended this course, and the council adopted the recommendation. Plans and specifications will be prepared at once, and tenders will be called for the work. There is a chance of the dome being completed by the end of the year. It will be finished before next March arrives at any rate.

At the property committee meeting yesterday afternoon at four o'clock, were Aldermen Angie (chairman), Toye, Free, Henderson, McCartney, Graham, and Cooper.

The chairman laid the matter before the committee, intimating that it was advisable to take immediate action in regard to restoring the dome. The council was to meet at five o'clock, to receive the committee's recommendation.

A discussion took place regarding the nature of the dome that should be constructed. Ald. Henderson expressed the opinion that the old dome could not be improved upon.

The city engineer agreed with Ald. Henderson. The only change required was in regard to the material, which should be of steel.

Ald. Graham said he would never vote for a wooden dome. The new one should be of steel or some other material that would stand fire.

Ald. Angie said that in speaking to leading citizens, several engineers and several architects, he had found them all in favor of a steel dome. The property committee first required to engage an architect, and the report covered that.

Ald. Henderson said that since the stone walls had borne the weight of the heavy wooden dome for forty years, there was no doubt about it bearing the weight of a steel dome, the same size, for steel construction was lighter than wood.

Ald. Craig said he understood that the city buildings were along certain lines of architecture, and when depended upon, the architecture would be destroyed, so that it was essential to build the new dome along the same lines as the old one. As to the old dome being a curtailment of that originally designed, that question should be settled at once, and the original design carried out. The council should know about the matter, and if there was any error in the burned dome it should now be corrected, so that the city buildings would have the best dome that it was possible to erect upon them.

Ald. Angie said that a start had to be made. The property committee would report back again to the council.

Ald. Elliott pointed out that the matter was rather too important a one to rush hurriedly through the

DAILY MEMORANDA.

See Amusement Column for the four Moving Picture Shows and Park Vaudeville.

The Sunday School Teachers of St. Luke's Church will hold a Lawn Social on the church grounds, August 4th. Bands in attendance.

Grand tour of the Islands, Wednesday (to-morrow), under Auspices of Brock St. Methodist Church. Sir. America, 2.30 p.m. "The War of the Worlds," "The Marvellous Hydrophone," "Signalman's Story," a Dramatic Recital, With Colored Illustrations. "Montezuma," sung by Edgar Sommerly.

July 28th, In Canadian History.

1884--The Provincial Government of Nova Scotia reorganized with Hon. William Stevens Fielding as prime minister.

1890--Great fire at the Cote St. Antoine, a suburb of Montreal.

1897--A royalty of two per cent was imposed upon the product of the Klondike mines.

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Orders for nearly \$1,000,000 worth of work have just been received by the General Electric company, Schenectady, N.Y.

Levi Wedge, an old resident of Welland county, committed suicide by hanging.

Fell Overboard While Rowing on Genesee River.

Rochester, N.Y., July 28--Charles Curtis, fireman of the Jerry boat Ontario I., was drowned in the Genesee river. His body has not been recovered. His home is in Cobourg. Curtis with five other seamen, rowed to the rifle range. On the return trip the boat was struck by a swell from a steamer and Curtis fell overboard. He sank before he could be rescued.

APPROACH OF TYPHOON.

Much Damage Was Done--Boats Caught Outside.

Hong Kong, July 28--At eleven o'clock last night the signal guns were fired warning the people of the approach of a typhoon. The storm approached with great rapidity, causing a very high sea to run. Much damage was done on shore. A number of Chinese boats were caught in the gale, some of them being capsized, while others foundered. A very large number of the crews were drowned. owing to the darkness and the fury of the storm it was almost impossible to make an attempt to save them. Thirteen of the crew of the British cruiser Astraea manned a small boat, and, aided by a search light on the cruiser, searched for an hour, and succeeded in picking up six persons. No damage to vessels in the harbor is reported.

RAIES AFTER NINE MONTHS.

Dog Bit Lieutenant Died of Hydrophobia.

New York, July 28--Hydrophobia, the result of a dog bite, regarded at the time as insignificant, caused the death in the Presbyterian hospital, of James E. Phillips, formerly a lieutenant of police. While Phillips was playing with his pet dog last October the animal bit him slightly on the cheek. Symptoms of the dread disease developed yesterday. By night the victim became violent, and was removed to the hospital. An examination failed to show any scar, but spasm followed spasm, until the victim died to-day.

Phillips was dismissed from the police force some time ago, and has since conducted a detective agency.

PLACE FOR PROF. GRAHAM.

Head of O. A. C. Poultry Department May Go.

Guelph, Ont., July 28--Prof. Graham, of the poultry department of the Ontario Agricultural College, has received an offer to take a similar position at the Storrs agricultural farm, of Connecticut, at \$2,500 a year. The place was formerly held by his brother, C. K. Graham, who goes to Virginia. He has not yet decided to accept.

Reports from Bruce speak very favorably of the crops.

TOOK 2 EXCURSIONS

Forty-Eight Years Apart to See the Heir.

A Bank Clerk Succumbs to Typhoid Fever--Picton to Have a Yacht Club House.

Picton, July 28--It is rather an interesting coincident in connection with the ter-centenary celebration, that Capt. E. B. Smith, Picton's veteran mariner, should have taken two excursions to Quebec, forty-eight years apart, to welcome the coming of an heir apparent of England's throne to Canada. In 1868 he took the steamer St. Helen to see the coming of the then Prince of Wales, and now King Edward VII, and again this year he took the steamer Alexandria to welcome the Prince of Wales. He says Prince George was far more enthusiastically welcomed than was his illustrious father.

A new yacht club house is a probability of the very near future for Picton. An executive meeting of the Bay of Quinte Yacht Club was held last evening, to arrange for the going of the club to the races at Chamaont Bay, on August 13th, and it was then that the yacht club house idea was advanced by a number of home-comers, enthusiasts in yachting. It is suggested to form a stock company, and build along the bay shore, near town, a comfortable, bungalow. Picton yachtsmen will turn out strong for the regatta of the Crescent Yacht Club of Watertown.

Roscoe Ball, Kingston, spent over Sunday in town with friends. Miss Olive Earl, of town, has been granted a certificate as a kindergarten teacher.

Henry Stoney, a former Pictonian, now of Los Angeles, Cal., and his bride of last week, nee Miss Louise Kahn of Woodstock, are in town, on their way west, after a trip to Quebec. E. W. Sheriff, editor of the Gazette, is in Quebec. Dr. and Mrs. J. W. Wright spent over Sunday with Dr. and Mrs. J. M. Platt, Kingston. Mr. and Mrs. Peter Davis have moved to Portsmouth, to make their home.

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