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GREAT HOTEL

Bonus Proposition Instead of Guarantee.

THE PROPOSAL MADE

TO THE BOARD OF TRADE THIS AFTERNOON.

Ask for the Macdonald Park Site and \$100,000 Exemption From Taxation For Twenty Years—Gas Water and Light at Cost—Personal Letter.

The following proposition in regard to the building of the Chateau Riedes was laid before the city council and the board of trade this afternoon:

H. Richardson, chairman of joint committee of the city council and the board of trade of Kingston, Ont., having in charge the promotion of a hotel.

Dear Sir.—In pursuance of our recent negotiations with you, looking toward the erection, equipment and operation of a hotel in Macdonald Park, Kingston, we have concluded, as requested by you, to submit and we, hereby, lay before you our proposition to that end, in which we have endeavored to forward the project by adopting the suggestion of members of your committee upon the aid to be afforded by the city.

We propose, on the terms hereinafter mentioned, to erect, equip, and for five years to operate upon the site heretofore named a first class, modern hotel, designed, built and equipped substantially in accordance with the plans, drawings and model already exhibited to you, work to be begun not later than May 1st, 1909, and to be finished within one year from that date. We will procure the incorporation of a company with an authorized capital subscribed or underwritten by responsible persons adequate to carry the enterprise to completion. Our undertakings as well as those of the corporate bodies represented by you, will be embodied in a legal and valid written contract, to be so drawn and authorized as in the opinion of our counsel, to be binding upon the city of Kingston and its board of trade.

Our proposition is conditional upon the acceptance and performance by the City of Kingston of the following terms:

—There is to be conveyed to the hotel corporation in fee simple clear of liens, before the work is begun upon detailed plans for the building, the site in Macdonald Park, already selected and shown upon the sketch here attached.

B.—The following payments in cash to be made to the hotel company as a bonus or contribution toward the enterprise with no obligation of repayment at any time and satisfactory preliminary assurance to be furnished of the making of such payments, to wit:

\$25,000 when excavation for the building is begun.

\$25,000 when the walls have been erected to the height of the proposed third story.

\$25,000 when the building is under roof.

\$25,000 when the plastering is finished.

C.—Agreements are to be executed

and furnished in such form and so authorized as in the opinion of our counsel to be obligatory upon the City of Kingston, securing to the hotel company: (1) Exemption for twenty years from all taxation; (2) the right for the same period, at the option of the hotel company to purchase at cost from the city of Kingston, all gas, water and electric current it may require; (3) the maintenance of Macdonald Park as a public Park, free from buildings of any kind to the east of the hotel site.

We are in readiness to engage in proper contracts covering in detail the terms of the foregoing proposition. Upon receiving satisfactory evidence of the authority of the proper officials to bind the City of Kingston and its board of trade to compliance with their undertakings—Respectfully submitted, THE KINGSTON HOTEL COMPANY, through Underwood & Smoyer, Attorneys, Chicago, Ill.

Letter From D. R. Durpits.

Chicago, November 30.—To the Members of the Hotel Committee and the Citizens of Kingston:

In presenting this proposition it is well to review the circumstances leading up to the present status of negotiations. I regard this as necessary in view of the various letters to the newspapers I have read from time to time, from which it is evident that the attitude of the hotel company is not clearly understood.

We have been referred to as a "gang of speculators"; also as desiring that "the city should build the hotel and the company reap the profits." As a former, and possibly a future, Kingstonian, I also desire that my personal position should be clearly understood. In this respect let me say first, that while I have been absent from Kingston for many years I still retain my citizenship, being a property owner and voter, and therefore I am able to appreciate clearly the city's viewpoint and also have a natural desire to forward the city's welfare and to see that any arrangements that may be made with the hotel company are fair and equitable and in the best interests of both.

I have, in common with all citizens, realized for years the city's great need of proper hotel accommodation, not only for those who already visit Kingston, but for those who would visit the city in large numbers, much to the city's benefit, if sufficient and suitable accommodation were provided. I have contemplated for some years the building of such a place, but it was only last summer, after seeing a newspaper announcement that the city was willing to aid in such a project that my ideas took definite shape.

As you are aware C. T. Henderson, of Chicago, and myself at that time consulted some of the members of the Board of Trade to learn definitely what was the extent and nature of the aid the city would offer. We were informed that the city would probably guarantee or endorse a one hundred thousand dollar bond issue for any company who would erect and maintain an hotel to cost not less than one hundred and fifty thousand dollars. We were also informed that the city would probably furnish the site and exemption from taxation during the life of the bonds. We immediately took up this proposition with the firm of Hilger, Graves & Co., of Chicago, prominent architects and builders, and experts in hotel matters. Their opinion was that on such a small scale it would not pay to bother with it; that both the times and the situation demanded a much larger and more permanent establishment.

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New York, N.Y., Dec. 4.—The world to-day says: According to Miss Ethel M. Arnold, of London, the wife of Matthew Arnold, and sister of Mrs. Humphrey Ward, one of the strongest arguments for women suffrage in England is that it will save many women from the tragic fate of single blessedness.

In a discussion of the whole question before the League for Political Education yesterday in the Lyceum, she said that to American or to French women, to whom the system of the bride's dot gives an added independence, the ballot might not seem necessary. Even in Rome, Miss Arnold pointed out, the sexes were more nearly equal, man being at no such "unwholesome premium" as an London.

The death of marriageable men in England is appalling," said the speaker. "Many women in the higher classes have remained unmarried. This hideous and tragic waste of life cannot continue indefinitely."

"With the new status the franchise would give them the masculine contempt toward this class would disappear. They would seek outlets for their energy elsewhere, and go to other countries where women are at a premium."

To Oppose Woman Suffrage.

London, Dec. 4.—A meeting held yesterday, Dec. 3, was attended by several peers, members of the House of Commons, scientists and other prominent men, constituted itself into a general committee to oppose female suffrage.

The meeting in a resolution expressed "the belief that the extension of the franchise to the women of the nation would be contrary to the best interests of the nation and empire."

Among many well known peers on the committee were Earl Cromer, the Earl of Darwen, and Lord Rothschild. The members of the House of Commons on the committee are less conspicuous, but scientists are well represented including Sir James Crichton-Brown, Sir William Crookes, Sir James Dewar, Sir William Ramsay and Sir Edwin Lankester. There are several well known literary members including Rudyard Kipling. The committee will shortly arrange a fighting programme.

Women In Politics.

New Westminster, B.C., Dec. 4.—The women voters of this city, who are taking an unusual interest in the coming municipal election, are holding a series of meetings to discuss the administration of civic affairs.

At a meeting to be held on Thursday afternoon candidates will be interviewed and condemned by the women.

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A LONG SEPARATION.

BROTHER AND SISTER MEET AFTER YEARS.

Bridgeport Woman and Fulton Man Renew Acquaintance in Syracuse.

Bridgeport, Pa., Dec. 4.—Mrs. B. Hyde, of this place, has been in Syracuse with her daughter, Mrs. Charles Litchison, where she met her brother, Robert Lyng, whom she had been separated from for thirty-nine years.

Mr. Lyng left his sister here in Bridgeport in the year 1869 and traveled to various places until brother and sister lost trace of each other.

Mr. Lyng is now a resident of Fulton, and through a clerk in Snyder's drug store, who was visiting in Fulton learned of the whereabouts of his sister. He immediately phoned her and planned to meet her at her daughter's, Mrs. Charles Litchison, No. 415 East Castle street, Syracuse.

Mr. Lyng sold his business in Fulton and when his eyes began to fail he longed for some of his relatives and has been spending the last two years looking for his brother and sister in Canada and his sister Margaret in this place.

Returns After 32 Years.

New York, Dec. 4.—After an absence of thirty-two years Thomas J. Mallon, for a quarter of a century considered dead, has returned to his family at East Newark.

He came to the house of his daughter, Mrs. Julian Jova, whom he last saw as a baby.

Mrs. Mallon answered a knock at the front door a few days ago, and opening it saw an aged and decrepit man standing there. She asked him what he wanted.

"Are you Mrs. Mallon still?"

"I am," she said.

Then he disclosed his identity and got a welcome. He was living at La Paz, Texas, when he learned by chance of his wife's address.

To Be Reappointed.

Washington, Dec. 4.—President Roosevelt informed Commissioner of Labor Charles P. Neill, that he will reappoint him.

Fine French China Dinner Sets.

Special Cut Sale For One Week Only:

\$90 set for \$68

70 set for 53

48 set for 35

45 set for 35

THIS IS NOVEL

New Argument For Women Suffrage

BY MISS E. M. ARNOLD

IN A DISCUSSION ON A LONDON LYCEUM.

Would Lead Many Spinsters to Marry and Go Where Women Are at a Premium—British Columbia Women Are Interested.

Civil Engineer Shot.

Danbury, Conn., Dec. 4.—The body

of John O'Hara, a civil engineer of Watertown, N.Y., who accidentally shot himself while hunting near Brewster, N.Y., and who died in the hospital of blood poisoning, was sent to his home to-day.

FUR THIEVES FOILED.

Gang Had Little Luck in Little London.

London, Ont., Dec. 4.—A gang of four thieves, two men and two women, who are said to have recently operated in Toronto, visited London on Saturday and tried their hand in a Dundas street store. The merchant, however, was warned and kept so sharp an eye on them that they left quickly. The police are on their trail.

Girls Sent To Hudson.

Watertown, N.Y., Dec. 4.—Myrtle and Carolyn Cook, aged fifteen and thirteen years, and Carolyn Davis, fourteen years of age, were sent to the girls' reformatory at Hudson, as the result of a story which the little girls told Judge Reeves behind closed doors. The children have been living in a house in Newell street which has been frequented by whites and negroes.

Ex-Premier Fortis Scathingly Denounces Austria's Annexation of Bosnia and Herzegovina—Remarks Received With Great Applause.

Rome, Dec. 4.—A sensation was caused yesterday in the course of the debate on the Balkan question in the chamber of deputies when Ex-Premier Fortis, the best debater in the house, strongly denounced Austria's annexation of Bosnia and Herzegovina. Signor Fortis declared that loyal adherence to the triple alliance was daily becoming more difficult and added: "I am alarmed by the increase in Austrian armaments. The day is coming when we must demand a clear explanation from our ally, from whom alone Italy has fear of war. If this state of things continues we must resume full liberty. Meanwhile let us increase our army and navy, which will be the best guarantee of peace."

Signor Fortis' remarks were received

by the house with frantic applause in which the audience in the public gallery joined, and when Signor Fortis ended, Prime Minister Giolitti and a majority of the deputies flocked around him embracing him and shaking hands with him, the minister of marine being among the heartiest of his congratulators.

BRADFORD'S ESCAPE.

From Asphyxiation Was Very Narrow.

Bradford, Pa., Dec. 4.—Hundreds of the patrons of the Commercial Natural Gas company are thanking their guardian angels, to-day, that they are still among the living. Before midnight last night a break occurred in the company's main and all lights and fire of patrons died out, as a consequence.

The trouble was soon repaired, and the company caused the fire bell to be rung as a warning that the gas was again being supplied. Many people paid no attention to the alarm. Others were not even awakened. Some thoughtful residents got busy and went about arousing their neighbors.

In some of the houses gas was flowing from the open cocks and in several instances inmates were partially overcome by the deadly fumes. There was great indignation among the citizens because the company turned on the gas before all consumers had been fully warned.

STRUCK BY FAST FREIGHT.

Man Eataly Injured While Loading Hogs.

Chatham, Ont., Dec. 4.—Jacob Oldham, Wallaceburg, while loading hogs on a siding at the Tupperville station on the Pore Marquette, was struck by a fast freight before he could get his horses off the track.

Mr. Oldham was thrown a considerable distance and received many injuries to his head and body. One leg was broken. One of the horses was killed outright. The other escaped without a scratch.

State Of The Forests.

Washington, Dec. 4.—At the National Forest conservation committee, it was shown that four-fifths of the forests of the states were under private ownership, and that only seven per cent. of the public forests, and less than one per cent. of the private forests were conserved. The average growth in the forests is about two cubic feet per acre, or a total of seven billion cubic feet. But from the forests were taken twenty-three billion cubic feet each year, or over three times what they produce. Forest fires run through fifty million acres of forests each year.

A. J. Small Won Suit.

Hamilton, Dec. 4.—A. J. Small of

Toronto, theatre owner, won his suit at the high court non-jury sittings against the Fuller Chaffin Co., of New York. The firm was under contract to overhaul the Grand Opera here at a cost of \$25,000. The contract ran up to \$25,000. Judge Anglin allowed Mr. Small \$9,500 of the bill and \$1,700 for delay caused.

To Curtail Publicity.

Bethel, Dec. 4.—In pursuance of his disciplinary treatise the kaiser decided to lessen the publicity of court happenings. It has been, heretofore, customary to publish the most trivial doings of the imperial family. These, henceforth, will not be announced.

The court will be censored by the imperial ministry of foreign affairs before it is published.

Killed In Landslide.

Rome, Dec. 4.—A landslide at Mount

San Lucano, near Agordi, yesterday

wrecked the villages of Pra and Luminaz. The bodies of twenty-seven dead, ten injured persons, have been recovered.

Mas. David Burns died at Carlton

Park, Wash., Monday night. He was

a case that sent the sympathy of all

to the highest temperature. Mrs. Burns

had nursed her eldest daughter, a young lady of eighteen and her youngest boy, through their sieges of typhoid. The double care was a tax

and when the disease settled in her veins, her strength was not suffi-

cient.

Surprising Values.

Spokane, Wash., Dec. 4.—More than

3,000 fruit trees, principally apple

have been planted in Washington, Ore-

and Idaho since the beginning of

the year, and it is estimated that

when these come into bearing in 1912

the apple crop of the three states will amount to 60,000,000 bushels, equaling the wheat field of 1908.

What Is In Prospect.

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