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"DON'T KNOCK"

"Boom Your City" Says Mayor Couper.

THREE YEAR SYSTEM

IS STRONGLY FAVORED BY HIS WORSHIP.

The Light Plant He Says Has Been Well Managed—Favors Better Street Lighting—The Plant Should Not Be Run For Benefit of Consumers Alone.

Mayor Couper's address at the inaugural meeting of the city council this morning was as follows:—
Gentlemen of the city council:—I approach the task of addressing you this morning with a good deal of hesitation. In the first place I am diffident as to my own powers and in the second, I labor under the knowledge that the work that confronts us this year is very important and very difficult. However, such as it is, I do not shrink from it but will bring to it all I have of energy and capacity and I ask you to do the same.
At the outset I bid you all welcome to the horseshoe, old faces and new. I hope the utmost harmony will prevail among the aldermen themselves and among them and the chair. I am aware of my own deficiencies, and ask for your co-operation in helping me to perform with credit to our body and to me, difficult duties.

Favors Three-Year Term.

The constitution under which we are working and the way in which it is working has been the object recently of a certain amount of criticism which, to my mind, is unfeeling, for and unjust. I am glad to note by the flaccid of the recent public meeting called to protest against our system that the opposition is confined to a very few aldermen. Personally I favor the three-year term for aldermen on the grounds that it is apt to induce better men to contest the seats for the council board and that its tendency is to give greater continuity to our municipal policy. I myself am not of opinion that the great object in municipal politics is to collect a crowd around the poll or to induce a certain amount of hurrying on election day. On the contrary, I think that our primary aim should be to get the best men in the community elected to the council and it seems to me to be a tribute to the system under which we are working that, in the last two years, so many of these have been elected by acclamation. However, I suppose our present constitution may be regarded as a fixture, until it has been thoroughly tried, which will be at least three years more, so I need no longer dwell on this topic.

Question Of Finance.

The most important problem before the council of 1909 is that of finance. At the outset we are faced with a deficit of over \$10,000, and in addition, there are several important questions, involving large expenditure, which demand our most thoughtful attention. This being so I ask you to assist me in carrying out the wish I expressed on nomination day to cut off all frills and practices in our administration of civic business the same prudence, care and economy that we use in our private affairs.

Squandering On Streets.

To come to details for a few minutes: There is, first, the everlasting question of our streets. From my observation, I have come to the conclusion that we have for some years back been squandering annually about

WAS RESCUED

After Being Two Weeks In the Ruins.

ANOTHER EARTHQUAKE

PARTIALLY RUINED THE SEAWALL.

Efforts to Hasten Evacuation of Messina Only Partly Successful—Survivors Obstinately Cling to the Ruins.
Messina, Jan. 11.—After being a fortnight beneath the ruins of his home a butcher, sixty-three years old, was rescued yesterday in comparative good health. He had witnessed the prolonged suffering and deaths of his wife and four children, who were beside him during his entombment.
A severe earthquake at one o'clock yesterday morning ruined part of the seawall. The survivors were panic-stricken. The famous triptych, painted by Antanello De Messina, which was the best work exhibited in the local gallery, has been recovered unharmed.
The efforts to hasten the evacuation of Messina have been only partially successful. It has been found impossible to exclude the survivors by force, while the plan to cease the distribution of food apace, limiting its distribution to the ships, has proven to be practically useless. The survivors obstinately cling to the ruins. They say they would rather die from starvation than abandon their native city.
Moreover, the soldiers share their rations with the hungry sufferers. The refugees, who are now scattered throughout Italy, are clamoring to return. Notwithstanding the burials, disinfection is still going on, and efforts to kill the odor are unavailing.
A severe storm at Reggio last night wrecked the improvised huts there, and scattered the meagre belongings of the refugees. Many boats were wrecked. The telegraph office walls damaged. Many of the damaged walls left standing by the earthquake were thrown down. A collision between two Italian warships off the shore was averted only by stranding the *Re Umberto*. It is reported that six persons were rescued from the ruins at Messina yesterday, all of them desperately weak.
In accordance with instructions from the archbishop, priests are now traversing the ruins, praying for and absolving the dead, with uplifted hands.
Gen. Mazza has issued stringent measures in order to protect the people and their property, having established a police service around the city, and ordered that any person found excavating without a permit shall be shot.

Italian Relief Measures.

Rome, Jan. 11.—The parliamentary committee which is examining the measure proposed by the government in the chamber of deputies has modified them with the consent of the cabinet.
The changes provide that the building taxation be two per cent. for five years, instead of five per cent. for two years, and that the earthquake zone be exempted from a building tax for fifteen years.
A further provision is that all unclaimed valuables in the devastated district be devoted by the government to the relief of the survivors.

Worst Criminal Year.

Brookville, Ont., Jan. 11.—Chief Burke, at present engaged in preparing his annual report for presentation to the council, says the past year was the heaviest criminal year in the history of the local force, no less than ten prisoners being sentenced from here to the penitentiary since June 1st.

Remarkable Discovery of Dr. Rosenberg, of the Jefferson Medical College.

Philadelphia, Pa., Jan. 11.—By an official announcement the greatest discovery in the war against consumption since the finding of the tubercle bacillus by Koch, was made public. This is the discovery by Dr. Randle C. Rosenberg, famous biologist and holder of the chair of bacteriology at the Jefferson Medical College, that the tuberculosis germ can be readily found in the blood long before it reaches the lungs, that it is then in a condition which makes it readily amenable to destruction by simple treatment, and fresh air, and that it will soon be possible to use a perfect anti-toxin which will stamp out the disease entirely. By Dr. Rosenberg's discovery, consumption from the greatest scourge of modern times dwindles down to the easiest treated disease in existence. Dr. Rosenberg has tested his discovery and his method upon 150 cases, in none of which was there a failure. He has made known the results of his experiments to the College of Physicians and to the faculty of Jefferson college, and his whole paper upon the subject will appear shortly in a medical publication. Before that, Dr. Rosenberg, who is a purist in medical ethics, will not discuss or go into details of the matter. Beyond the bare confirmation of the essential points to-day he had nothing to say.

Great Sale For Balance Of Year.

Prevost, Brook street, has made a great reduction in price in ready-made clothing, gents' furnishings and order clothing. Stock is well assorted.
A mammoth deal is on between the Reid Wrecking company and the Haynes interest of Port Huron, to rebuild the old Dunford and Alverston dry dock, of Port Huron, so that it will accommodate the largest vessels on the lakes.
A measure is proposed in the legislature to give the Ontario license department control of hotels in local option districts.
We print and engrave visiting cards, at home cards, etc., British Whig office.

DEATH OF REV. DR. GARDNER

Passed Away at Belleville in His Ninety-First Year.

DISPATCHES FROM NEAR AND DISTANT PLACES

THE WORLD'S TIDINGS

GIVEN IN THE BRIEFEST POSSIBLE FORM.

Matters That Interest Everybody—Notes From All Over—Little of Everything Easily Read and Remembered.

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LATEST NEWS

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JUSTICE TOURIGNY. Recently appointed to the bench in Kinross District.

Get Imperial Service Medals.

London, Jan. 11.—The following have been granted the imperial service medal: J. C. Clarke, section foreman on the Intercolonial railway; F. H. Hill, keeper of the lighthouse at Lancaster, Ont.; F. Lay, lockmaster on the Welland canal; A. McCabe, engineer on the Intercolonial; J. G. McDonald, engineer, and E. Shaw, crossing watchman on the Intercolonial; George Shannon, Grosse Point light, Valleyfield.

CHILDREN BURROW OUT.

Reggio, Jan. 11.—Among others who escaped uninjured when the shock came were three children, who after having been buried in the debris of their home for seven days, got out unaided, burrowing like mice.
A man and his wife also have been found injured beneath ruins, where they had lain for eight days subsisting on a pint of olive oil.

MAY BE SET ASIDE

CHANGES PROBABLE IN PICTON CORPORATION.

Death of Dr. James Knight Who Was Born in Kingston—Scarlet Fever Prevalent in Picton—After Wardship.
Picton, Jan. 11.—There are all sorts of "wild and woolly" rumors about municipal affairs, as affecting the town council particularly. Election day scored a success for the recently formed Citizens' League, a temperance movement. They had in nomination a complete ticket for the council. The elected all but two councillors. The two Messrs. J. deC. Hepburn and E. M. Harrington, V.S., both of whom, it is said, contemplate resigning from the council. In this event it is probable the two defeated men, league tickets would be given the seat. The openly asserted that the new council intend making some sensational changes in municipal offices. Town Clerk Norman, after twenty years service, is slated to go to make the executive head of the corporation. Mr. Norman is M.P. B. Aylesworth. It can be used that he will not have time for the town's affairs. Town Solicitor Wright's report on the local option petition was unfavorable to its being passed, so he has a cross mark next his name in favor of M. R. Nixon, barrister. Thomas Walsley's head as collector of taxes lies as uneasy as the proverbial weaver of a crown. Police Constable Cooper must step aside.
Word has been received of the death, at Austin, Wash., of Dr. James Knight, an old practitioner of the county. He was born nearly seventy-eight years ago in Kingston. He first practised medicine at Tamworth, then he came to the county, and was in Bloomfield for twelve years, later going to Plainfield, where he returned to Cherry Valley. He left the county two years ago, to take to live with his sons. He was a graduate of the American institute and a licensed practitioner for the province, for many years. He was a Mason and a member of the A.O.U.W. Besides his wife and two sons, a daughter, Mrs. W. Embury, of Cherry Valley, survives.
The public school has not yet opened since the holiday recess because of the prevalence of scarlet fever. There are twenty or more cases in town, all more or less of a mild type. The schools may open in a week or so. The new Collegiate is now ready for occupancy but the opening has been delayed till Jan. 18th, owing to the epidemic.
Reeve Clemonson, Wellington, and Reeve Dempsey, Ameliasburg, are casting ambitious glances at the vacant seat in the council which is to be filled for the first time on 21st January.

SIX SENTENCED TO HANG.

Two to Go to Prison For Life For Murder.

PAPER FROM SUGAR CANE.

Dr. J. H. Bute is Making Experiments.

Union City, Tenn., Jan. 11.—Six of the night riders convicted of the murder of Capt. Quentin Rankin, a prominent attorney, were sentenced, on Saturday, to be hanged on February 19th. The other two were sentenced to penitentiary for life. The attorneys for the defence immediately gave notice of an appeal to the state supreme court.
Judge Jones imposed the death penalty on Garrett Johnson, Tid Burton, "Bob" Ransom, Frederick Pincon, Arthur Clear and "Sam" Applewhite, and sentenced "Bud" Morris and "Bob" Hoffman, the two other defendants, to twenty years (or life) in the penitentiary.
The attorneys for the defence immediately gave notice of an appeal to the state supreme court. If this tribunal does not interfere the first named six men will be hanged February 19th.
A Winsted, Conn., despatch says: "Paper pulp has been produced from sugar cane at the mill of a local company, according to the foreman in charge there."
Dr. J. H. Bute, of Houston, Texas, engaged the mill about the middle of December for experiments in making paper pulp from sugar cane. No information as to the process employed in making pulp is given out. The foreman intimated that the pulp could be beaten to a very fine state, and be made into a good grade of paper. Experiments by the score have been made with both sugar cane and corn stalks before, but had never been entirely successful.
Dr. Bute is a son of James Bute, who visits Kingston yearly. The doctor is a graduate of Queen's Medical college, Kingston.

KILLED 40; HURT 60.

Berne, Jan. 11.—The roof of a church at Bare, a village near Sion collapsed during the service, yesterday, killing forty and injuring sixty of the worshippers. The terrified villagers imagined that an earthquake had occurred and fled to the fields screaming.
Nominations All Over.
Deseronto, Jan. 8.—Owing to the dropping out of all but three of the twenty-one nominated for councillor on Dec. 30th a second nomination was held tonight. The following were nominated: Henry H. Kimmerly, W. H. Harvey, Robert Brown, Robert Geouis, A. Steed, John Fletcher, Dr. Pamore, L. Werden, A. Young, F. Lake, A. S. Vallu, George Clement and Thomas Naylor.
Peak Of Nature Witnessed.
Geneva, Switzerland, Jan. 11.—The inhabitants of this city state that the waters of Lake Geneva rose and fell for two days with a curious syphon-like action three weeks before the earthquake at Messina. The same phenomena were noticed before the San Francisco disaster, and are attributed to seismic gases.

GOT HER DESERTS

AN INHUMAN MOTHER SENT TO PRISON.

Forced Her Five Ragged Little Children to Beg From Christmas Shoppers.
Philadelphia, Jan. 11.—Five forlorn little children, clad only in rags, and with faces pinched from hunger and cold, were committed to the care of the Society for the Protection of Children from Cruelty, and their mother, Mrs. Katie McDermott, of 2128 South street, was sentenced to nine months in the House of Correction.
The mother was accused of neglect and inhuman treatment of her children. It is alleged that she sent the children out into the streets to beg, while she lay in the single room, in which the six lived, and drank all day long.
The father of the children is a consumptive, and is supposed to be in a Philadelphia hospital. He has not lived with his family for several years.
Taking advantage of the Christmas holidays, the drunken mother would drag her children from the old bed, on which they slept, early in the morning, and drive them out into the cold to beg from the Christmas shoppers, and if the little ones failed to bring enough to her at night, she would whip them and send them to bed, without even the poor little meal they received when they brought enough money for the mother to indulge her craving for liquor.

BARRED FROM RESERVE.

Law Prevents White From Living With Indian Wife.

Montreal, Jan. 11.—Judge Basin, in the police court, was called upon to decide if a white man named Horndas Perras, who had married an Indian woman, had the right to live with her and their children on the Caughnawaga reserve as he has been doing for some time past.
The law seems quite clear in the matter and strictly forbids a white to domicile with the Indians, and in fact Perras was condemned to pay a nominal fine for the same offence in 1907. His honor took the case on delivery.

PROBABILITIES.

Toronto, Ont., Jan. 11.—(10 a.m.)—Strong northwest winds, fair and much colder, with snow showers, Tuesday, fair and cold.

SPECIAL

The New Embroideries Are Here Direct From Switzerland.

The advance patterns of spring and summer Embroideries are now in stock. The showings this season have many entirely new designs in

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WATSON—In Kingston, on Jan. 9th, 1909, at 905 University Ave., to Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Watson, a daughter.

DIED.
WATSON—In Kingston, at 905 University Ave., on Jan. 10th, 1909, Ethel Irene Dalton, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Watson.

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Sawmills To Close.
Wellington, New Zealand, Jan. 11.—A great conference of the timber trade was held at Palmerston North, to discuss the question of importation of Oregon pine. Several delegates asserted that owing to the recent fully fifty saw mills would close down this year. The mill owners demand the imposition of a duty on all imported timber except in bulk.

The Ontario government proposes the establishment of a system of provincial police who will be available for all parts of the province. The body will be central, like the North-West Mounted, from which aid can be secured at short notice.

Edward C. Gilman, a well-known young real estate broker, of Flushing, L.I., was instantly killed in an auto ride, which a party of young men and women of Flushing were taking through the Long Island villages, on Saturday. Most of the other occupants of the fast car escaped serious injury.

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