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## VOTE FOR THE HOTEL BY-LAW; IT WILL BE FOR KINGSTON'S BEST INTERESTS

### PEOPLE'S VOICE URGES REGENT

To Be Taken on Question of Power Supply.

### THEY WILL BE ASKED TO CHINESE REGENT

IF THEY WANT TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENT.

With the Hydro-Electric Commission—City Solicitor Discovers That Statute Provides for This Course of Action at the Outset.

"Are you in favor of obtaining from the Hydro-Electric Power Commission of Ontario, a supply of electric power?"

This is the question, the ratification of the city of Kingston, will be asked to vote upon, at the municipal election, to be held in January, if the recommendation made at the regular meeting of the light, heat and power committee, on Tuesday afternoon, is adopted by the city council, at its session on Monday next.

The question of cheap power has been before the council and committee for eighteen months. The committee has a proposition from the Seymour Electric company, but it has no definite proposition from the Hydro-Electric Commission.

Ald. Elliott, the chairman of the light, heat and power committee, has been endeavoring to get a proposition from the commission, also information as to where the power would be secured; providing the city should make a contract with the commission, but up to the present, he has been unable to get this desired information, although he has been in correspondence over it almost continuously.

At their meeting on Tuesday, the

members were given somewhat of a surprise when they learned from a letter submitted by the city solicitor, D. M. McIntyre, that in order to take up a proposition with the Hydro-Electric Commission, it would first be necessary to have the voice of the ratifiers on the question, as to whether power should be secured from the commission.

The solicitor pointed out that under a section of an act, passed in 1909, respecting the Hydro-Electric Commission, the question must be first submitted to the ratifiers, as to whether the latter were in favor of obtaining a supply of electric power from the commission.

The solicitor further pointed out that if the ratifiers voted "yes" on the question, the council had the power to enter into negotiations with the commission, for the supply of power, and the council, if able to secure what it regarded as a satisfactory agreement, would then have the power to make a final contract with the commission.

When the matter was understood, it was the unanimous opinion of the committee, that the question go to the people, the members feeling at the same time that it was only right that the people should have the right to voice their opinion on such an important matter. The members pointed out, however, that this was the first they knew of the fact that the matter had to be put to the people in this way. It was stated that such a thing was never pointed out in any of the correspondence the committee had with the commission.

When the answer of the ratifiers is received, then the committee will be able to take action, providing, of course, that the commission presents its proposition. The offers of the commission and that of the Seymour company, or any other company that might see fit to make an offer for the supply of power, can then be considered. The mere fact of the ratifiers voting in favor of obtaining power from the commission, does not bind the city to a contract. It simply leaves the way open for the city to make a contract.

The communication of Mayor Graham, regarding the power question was read. The letter, as will be remembered, was presented to the city council, at its last session, and in it his worship said "that the matter of procuring cheap power as an inducement to prospective industries has appeared

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### WU TING-FANG TELEGRAPHS A LONG ADDRESS

Despatches From Near and Distant Places

### THE WORLD'S EPISODES

NOT BELIEVED SEAT SECURED ROWELL OPENS

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He points out that since the emperor's edict admitting responsibility for present conditions and promising reforms, there has been an atrocious massacre and ten princes have severed themselves from the throne without a struggle.

Wu Ting-Fang adds that nothing but the adoption of republicanism can secure peace and stop the shedding of blood. The regent, he says, should emulate the example of the ancient emperors. Yao and Han, who abdicated after choosing the best available substitute.

Dr. Wu promises that if the regent wakes up and works for the people, the citizens will support him in a style compatible with his birth, inasmuch as the peace and safety of the Manchuria class are not excluded from the national aims.

The appeal concludes: "Our voice is hoarse and our tears are exhausted. No more can be said."

Rumors are current that Admiral Sui's fleet at Hankow has either surrendered or been overcome by the revolutionaries.

LOOKS BRIGHTER IN CHINA.

Peking, Nov. 15.—Optimism is the prevailing note in government circles. This feeling was caused by the report that Prince Ching, the acting regent, had received a telegram from Gen. Li Yuan-Hong, commander of the rebel forces, saying that he was prepared to treat for peace on certain terms, and by the statement that the army divisions, one to six inclusive, would agree to uphold the monarchial constitution and support Yuan Shih-Kai, provided the rebel leader's edicts were withdrawn.

The imperial government has issued an edict commanding Yuan Shih-Kai to accept the premiership for the country's welfare, and ordering the viceroys and governors of all the provinces to select three or five able representatives, who shall come to Peking and consult concerning the state of affairs.

The edict also appoints delegates to visit the sixteen disturbed provinces and pacify the people, and announces that the throne donates one tael (about seventy-five cents) to each and all of the soldiers and police. Peking is assuming in the hope of purchasing their loyalty.

The government expresses the opinion that the edict will go far toward restoring peace. The lack of money is greatly perplexing the government, foreign capitalists still hold aloof.

ONTARIO MINERAL OUTPUT.

Silver—Mined to Value of \$11,593,286 in Nine Months.

Toronto, Nov. 14.—Ontario's silver output for the nine months ending June 30th, was valued at \$11,593,286, and totalled 23,186,890 ounces, according to a statement given out by T. W. Gibson, deputy minister of mines. This is an increase in output over 1910 by \$1,799,629.

The gold output was 2,376 ounces, worth \$42,320, an increase of \$13,591. Copper totalled 6,769 tons, worth \$97,489, a decrease of \$54,947; nickel

PASS HOTEL BY-LAW.

It will not—  
Increase taxes.  
Depreciate property.  
Be shut up all winter.  
Call for city expenditure.  
Entail loss to corporation.  
Injure other hotel trade.  
Compete with boarding houses.

REMEMBER TO ELECTORS.

If you stay at home tomorrow and don't record your vote in favor of the hotel by-law you will practically be voting against it, as under the law two-thirds of the property owners on the list must vote in favor to carry the by-law. Therefore, if you wish to kill it stay at home, but if you wish to see your property increase in value, if you wish to see Kingston advance and prosper, get out and vote and work for the by-law's passage.

Mrs. Harriman Gives \$40,000.

New York, Nov. 15.—Largely through the efforts of Mrs. F. H. Harriman, a fund of \$40,000, for five years, has been provided to maintain an experimental school for the study and administration of public business.

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### DESPATCHES FROM NEAR AND DISTANT PLACES

That Half of Canada is at All Disloyal.

### NO ONE IN ENGLAND AGREEMENT REACHED

THINKS SO IS ASSURANCE OF WESTMINSTER GAZETTE.

A Change is Coming—Unionist Party Will Later on Regret Language It Used After Elections.

London, Nov. 15.—There is a long letter in the Westminster Gazette signed by a Canadian, repudiating the idea that the minority in the Canadian elections were fighting against the flag or that our tariff reformers were influenced by the result. The Gazette editorially assures its readers that the letter was written by one who is well entitled to speak for Canadians. The editorial continues: "On the tariff theory that half the

LIKELY TO HAPPEN.

The erection of a fine hotel here will mean that some of the tourists, on becoming acquainted with the beauties of Kingston and its great educational advantages, will decide to settle here and will buy land and erect fine houses; thus doing for Kingston what the Arlington hotel did for Cobourg years ago.

dominion is disloyal to the empire and to the flag, if that were the case the occasion would be one that might excite serious alarm in this country. We can only assure our Canadian correspondent that we don't believe that any large body of tariff reformers regards half the population of Canada as traitors or annexationists. When the first feeling evoked by the conservative victory has died down, the unionist party here will, we feel convinced, regret the language with which it hailed the defeat of reciprocity. As a matter of fact, events have already been cleared by the speeches of Earl Grey since he returned home."

BURIED WITH HONORS.

Flag as Dog's Shroud Rouses Woman's Wrath.

Washington, Nov. 15.—Because soldiers on duty with the aeronautical corps at College Park, Md., are reported to have buried a dog wrapped in the American flag, Mrs. Isabel Worrell Ball, chairman of the national committee for the prevention of the desecration of the flag of the Woman's Relief Corps, has written a vigorous protest to secretary of war Stimson. The dog, which was the mascot of the aviation school, was accorded a funeral with full military honors.

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### HEARD LIBERAL LEADER ON THE ISSUES.

Failures of Whitney Government—The Manner in Which Liberal Party Proposes to Rectify Abuse.

Toronto, Nov. 15.—Ontario liberalism took a forward step last night. The vast audience that thronged Massey hall acclaimed the new leader, N. W. Rowell, K.C., and endorsed the platform he has promulgated. From first to last it was Mr. Rowell's address that was greeted with enthusiasm, and the applause that thronged Massey hall applauded his straightforward deliverances on the issues before the electorate gave no uncertain sign that the people believe there is need for reform in the administration of provincial affairs.

In his first public utterance since assuming the leadership Mr. Rowell gained friends on every hand. His speech throughout was constructive, positive and convincing. Without equivocation, without dissembling, he gave a clear and forcible exposition of the purposes of the liberal party in the province, and his frank declaration regarding bilingual schools produced a thrill of applause, the audience rising almost to a man and cheering to the echo. "English is the language of this continent," he said, "Any child, whether of French-Canadian origin or of any other nationality, who does not get a good working knowledge of English in his school days is handicapped for life, and cannot make the same progress and advancement as if he had acquired the English language. So in the interest

PASS HOTEL BY-LAW.

It will—  
Add to city's revenue in taxes.  
Add to school board's income.  
Will help all trades and merchants.  
Give employment to many persons.  
Bring wealthy money-spending tourists to the city.  
Likely bring people to reside in Kingston permanently.  
Directly tend to increase the value of all real estate.  
Be the first step in the boom Kingston has so long needed.

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