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Daily News on Daily Doings

IN FULL FAIRNESS TO ALD. MONTGOMERY.

Regarding the letter published today exactly as it was received yesterday from Ald. Montgomery (who seemed uncertain whether the Daily News would care to publish such strong criticism against himself) the Daily News desires most particularly to assure Ald. Montgomery that were it not necessary for purposes of argument which the News knows he is thoroughly logical enough to appreciate, to print as he wrote, his orthography would be treated with the reverence of its most careful courtesy. After this one argument has been placed by the News in self defence before its readers, Ald. Montgomery is assured that any further publications in the News of his expressions of opinion either spoken or written, will be printed as he intends them to look and is accustomed to have them appear with Montgomery as city councillor and man, is given general credit for sound horse sense. His characteristic attitude is in defence of those whom he feels need a champion, especially the workers. He is a man big enough to meet with generous unconcern an accidental encroachment of an odd lot of adjoining buildings on his lot, which means much in these mercenary days. But the Daily News simply cannot believe that he gave the extra careful attention to the matter he criticises, that a car should who is not strong at spelling.

IN THAT COMING NAVAL BATTLE.

In the last, the decisive period of the naval fight that is to come, the issue will not lie with the things that mechanical science has invented and made, wonderful as these things are. Victory will depend upon the human factor—upon the force of will and character, and upon the capacity and fitness of those who command, backed up by indomitable pluck and incredible powers of endurance and initiative on the part of those who obey. It will be a case of fighting severely stricken ships when most of the aids that science has supplied to the fighting men have gone by the board. When the bridge and the fire control stations, the tangled masses of red-hot scrap when there are no funnels to carry away the blast from the funnels, when all the mechanical conveniences of the ship have been shattered, and all the elaborate contrivances for directing and coordinating the work of the crew are dumb and useless, then it will be for the human element to triumph. —London Standard.

LETTERS TO THE DAILY NEWS.

The columns of The Daily News are open to those desiring to air their personal opinions on matters of public interest, but it must be distinctly understood that letters will be published only over the signature of their writers, and that The Daily News does not necessarily endorse the opinions so expressed.

Letters intended for publication in The Daily News must be in the office not later than 4 a. m. on the day of which it is desired they should appear, and must not exceed 250 words in length, unless the matter is of outstanding importance.

The Daily News reserves the right to refuse or delay publication of any letter at discretion.

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MISAPPREHENSION SURELY ON ALDERMAN MONTGOMERY'S PART?

The Alderman Charges the Daily News with Abusing the City Engineer—His Letter is Published Beside the News' Attitude on the Engineer, Re-Printed So that Readers Interested May Judge for Themselves

A LETTER FROM ALD. MONTGOMERY

August 1st, 1912.

To the Editor of the News. Dear Sir—Will you kindly allow me a little space in your paper to protest against your unwarranted abuse of our lately appointed City Engineer, from his position he cannot defend himself without risking his professional reputation. He is not responsible for the actions of the city council, they alone should be made to shoulder the blame, if there is any attached to the re-organising of the engineering department of the city I for one of the council am prepared to take my part of the criticism from my friends or enemies and allow them to be the judges in the matter, as when I took office I was well aware that a city council is the legal butt for criticism for at least their term of office. I do object to the city's officials being made scape goats, to the detriment of their private character and professional reputation in order to hit at the city council. In my opinion such tactics as are adopted by the editor of your paper on this occasion is not up to standard of the country which he hails from and he is no credit to those who particularly sounds the horn.

W. H. MONTGOMERY.

Ald. Montgomery's desire to display his entire misapprehension of the Daily News comments on the recent appointment to the city engineering staff is cheerfully conceded to. In referring readers interested in the matter to the comments criticised by Mr. Montgomery, the Daily News desires merely to suggest that possibly with inability to spell the English language correctly may give inability to read it intelligently.

G. T. P. TAKES LITTLE NOTE OF LABOR ITEM

Winnipeg, Aug. 1—Local officials are not alarmed by the strike of two thousand I.W.O. men in western construction work of the Grand Trunk Pacific. Mr. Tomlinson, vice-president and general manager, said it affected only the extreme west end of the line and had not stopped the contractors. Arrangements were being made to fill the places of the strikers. Between the head of steel and Fort George, four thousand men are working, and the contractors, Foley, Welch and Stewart, aim to have rails at mile 143 before winter.

Not True. Jokes—Sells—Did you receive my letter and that batch of jokes? Editor—I received the letter, but I didn't see the jokes.

WHAT THE NEWS SAID OF MR MASON

In reference to Ald. Montgomery's letter quoted herewith the Daily News republishes the following references made to the city engineer, and leaves the matter with its readers:

"A month or so ago Mr. Mason was engineer in charge of construction works for the city; yesterday he was acting city engineer; today he is city engineer of Prince Rupert. This is quite a natural and understandable sequence of appointments and would indicate wisdom in the Council responsible for them. Mr. Mason's qualifications, credentials and work so far have quite warranted his promotion. He has made only one mistake, and that affects not his professional reputation but his personal popularity. He should have ignored those rumors about his attitude to Col. Davis. Any business corporation, or even a businesslike city council would have appointed Mr. Mason successor to his predecessor in office without waste of time."

What followed was straight criticism of the city council's action in advertising for a city engineer when it had been assigned as decided that Mr. Mason should have the post, with further reference to Mr. Mason as follows:

"Mr. Mason should have either been appointed prom-

ply following the resignation of Col. Davis or his non-application for the advertised vacancy should have been accepted as his announcement that he did not want the appointment." No fairminded man, Scotch, English or Irish could surely read in the above any abuse of Mr. Mason.

LEAGUE PRESIDENT DECLARES DEFAULT

Declaring that Westminster had forfeited last Saturday's game to Vancouver by failing to carry out the decision of the league that the game should be played here, Harry Cowan, president of the British Columbia Lacrosse Association, today announced that the league standing was five wins for Westminster and four for Vancouver with the next game scheduled for Saturday at Recreation Park. The Westminster club paraded at Queen's Park, New Westminster, on Saturday, lined up and scored a goal. Then they claimed the victory. President Cowan laughed at their claim today. "The league ordered the game played in Vancouver and that is all there is to it," said he.

HERE AND THERE

"Do you think there is any danger that the country will go to the dogs?"

"Not a bit. The country will keep right on going to the ball game."—Chicago Record-Herald.

"There should be poetry in life."

"Well, we get it in street cars, on billboards, on soap wrappers and on the breakfast food. What more do you want?"—Kansas City Journal.

The Little Fan—No brooder had de buttin' in de Ragwood League wit' an average of tree eighty.

The Littlest Fan—Dat's nuttin'. No mudder's buttin' average in de Ragwood League is 1911.—Kansas City Star.

Faith is believing the dentist when he says it isn't going to hurt.—Detroit Free Press.

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—Drawn for The Daily News by "Ho"