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## CITY HAS DROPPED THOSE CONTRACT APPEALS

### FROM THE DEAD PRESIDENT G.T.P. ESTIMATES ARE TAKEN

Late C. M. Hays Died Alone, Faithful to His Life-work's Latest Charge---Remarkable and Pathetic Details of the Last Lingered Struggles for Life Gained from the Gleaners of the Sea's Sad Harvest---Search for the Titanic's Dead Still Continues

(Special to Daily News.)  
Halifax, May 7.--On C. M. Hays' body were found the estimates for the future construction of the Grand Trunk Pacific. Vice-President Kelly has received these. Of the bodies buried at sea, one has been identified as another fireman. C. M. Hays' body was found several miles from any other. The Mackay-Bennett brought in 190 bodies, the Minia 15, making a total of 205. Of these 137 have been shipped abroad or buried at Halifax, leaving 68 still at the morgue.

**Saved His Wealth**  
The body with the largest amount of funds was that of Col. Emil Brandis, of Omaha. He had \$16,000.00 including letters of credit for \$10,000.00, three cheques six thousand, and bank notes \$500. The funds taken from the Titanic bodies are left in the hands of the Provincial Government, and held in safes. The Montmangy sailed at five

o'clock last evening to continue the search. She took coal for two weeks and three weeks' provisions for the crew. The White Star officials and the shipping men here believe the government steamer is likely to succeed in recovering a large number of the bodies.  
**Most Died of Cold**  
Rev. Mr. Cunningham, who accompanied the quest notes a fact worthy of special notice. "So far as could be judged by the ship's doctor," he says, "about one among every seventeen bodies found was that of a person who had died of drowning. In the case of the other sixteen death was caused by exposure and did not ensue until some four hours after the sinking of the ship."

**Extraordinary Situation**  
A remarkable fact developed at the Titanic morgue tonight. Ten bodies taken as Hebrew from the Fairview cemetery and removed to the Hebrew burying ground have proved to be all Christians,

either Roman Catholic or Protestants. The White Star line had telegrams from friends regarding all facts. That the dead were Christians had been established to the satisfaction of the local Hebrew Association, and bodies will now be sent back to the Fairview Cemetery.  
**C. M. Hays' Funeral**  
Montreal, May 7.--The body of C. M. Hays will arrive today at noon. Vice-Presidents Kelly and Logan, C. M. Hays' brother, David H. Hays from Prince Rupert, and C. D. Hall, his son-in-law, will accompany the remains which will be removed to the family residence. The funeral, a private one, will be held on Wednesday at 2.30. Rev. Dr. Johnson conducting services. The interment will be at the Mount Royal cemetery.

**The Astor Will**  
New York, May 7.--The will of the late John Jacob Astor was made public today. It shows five millions each for his young widow and daughter, and practically all the rest of the Astor millions is left to his son and heir Vincent Astor. No provision was made for the wife who divorced him. Only \$30,000 went to charity, with several minor bequests.

**Pantorium Pioneer Cleaners.**  
Phone 4.  
**A BACHELOR'S ROMANCE**  
Four Act Comedy at the Empress Theatre Tonight



MISS GRACE MCGINN in "A Bachelor's Romance" at Empress Theatre Tonight

### WILL NOT TAKE PETITION ROUND

First Agent Employed Secured Signatures Representing Realty Valued at Half a Million Dollars.

Over the petition appeal for signatures to support the money by-laws there was some discussion in council last night, the outcome principally of a motion by Ald. Bullock-Webster that the letter by the city solicitor explaining the need for the signatures be published in all three papers, and that the city assessor be authorized to engage another assistant to solicit signatures in place of Mr. Brown, who has retired with credit from the office, having secured signatures representative of over half a million dollars worth of real estate.

Regarding the attitude of the Grand Trunk Pacific Co., who can sign for a large property value, the city solicitor is still in the dark, but word is expected daily.  
In place of Mr. Brown, the probability is that Frank Ellis may take up the work of securing signatures--meanwhile the city solicitor's explanation is published for the information of the public still uncertain as to signing.

### LIQUOR LICENCE BYLAW When Shall it Come Into Force With Shortened Hours

Whether the new liquor licence by-law clause affecting the hours of closing shall come into force at once, or not until July 15th, when the licences are renewable, was a question brought up at last night's council meeting. A section of the council seemed to favor the delay in making the clause effective as it will then inflict no hardship or misunderstanding of the period of open hours at the time licences are paid for.

For a quick lunch, Royal Cafe.

**Satisfactory Report**  
Supt. Matthews, of the Light plant has reported to the council showing that during the past month the plant has been run at a profit of nearly \$300, and that the day load now commenced with supply power to the city at 12.9 cents per k.w.h.

### Majestic Theatre

Commencing tonight monthly  
**Gold : Prize : Drawing**  
for  
**\$100.00**  
1st Prize .....\$50.00  
2nd Prize .....\$25.00  
3rd Prize .....\$10.00  
4th Prize .....\$5.00  
5th Prize .....\$5.00  
6th Prize .....\$5.00

### COUNCIL TO INQUIRE INTO ISOLATION SHACK DEATH

Suggestion That Recent Fatal Case of Measles Was Aggravated by the Non-draught Proof Nature of the Building Demands Investigation---Hospital House Committee Chairman "Washes Board's Hands" of all Responsibility Over Contagious Cases Sent in by the City

An investigation into the circumstances of the death of a young man, a city patient, from pneumonia, following measles, after isolation in the temporary fever shack at the General Hospital, will be held by the whole council on Friday night. The words of Ald. Clayton on this matter last Monday night had evidently gone home to mayor and council, and every member of the council is anxious that full information bearing on this young man's death shall be obtained and made absolutely public in the interests of the General Hospital, as well as of the community at large.

The matter was re-opened last night by the bringing in of a report by Dr. Reddie on this particular case. The Medical Health Officer stated that there had been no neglect, that deceased had had proper skilled attention, that the pneumonia had not resulted from the flimsy nature of the shack, and that patient had been suffering from complications previous to his removal to isolation quarters. At the same time Dr. Reddie recommended that the tent roof of the shack be converted to a shingle roof. He also mentioned that the patient had been removed to the General Hospital building when pneumonia set in.

The reading of this elicited from Ald. Clayton the rather scathing statements that he had from an independent fully qualified source, reason to believe that the patient had not been suffering from complications until after removal to the shack and even that he had not continuous skilled attention during his fatal illness. Ald. Clayton further pointed out the fact that Dr. Reddie had stated that the patient had been removed from the shack into the permanent hospital, which he took to be a virtual admission of the shack's unsuitability. Added to this was the Medical Health Officer's recommendation that the shack be roofed with shingles. There was something wrong in this case he felt sure, and he moved for an investigation.

The mayor also felt that this was a matter for close scrutiny as even supposing all was in order, the fact that it had got into print made it most desirable that an investigation be held for the full information of the public and the thorough establishment of the reputation of those concerned, or the accurate location of the blame if any.  
Ald. Montgomery strongly supported the same view, mentioning a certain other case he had in his mind's eye which had a very close bearing on the present system for dealing with infectious complaints in Prince Rupert. Ald. Morrissey added his support, and Ald. Bullock-Webster mentioned that in view of the large grant made towards the hospital funds by the city, the council had most certainly a right to investigate closely to see that city patients were properly treated.

"As the representative of the government," began Ald Douglas with dignity, "I will do my best to see that the hospital board sees that everything is done as it should be done." He suggested that Mr. O. H. Nelson, chairman of the hospital house committee, be allowed to address the council.  
This Mr. Nelson did, the purport of his remarks being to

disclaim, on behalf of the hospital board, all responsibility for the care and treatment of infectious patients by the general hospital and staff. The isolation shack, he explained, had been permitted on the general hospital grounds ex gratia, by the board. Patients placed in it were fed and waited on by members of the hospital staff, but not as their routine duty. When this particular case had been sent in Mr. Nelson, as chairman of the House Committee, had taken scrupulous care to "wash the hands of the hospital board of responsibility for it." To his knowledge no general hospital could be held responsible for contagious cases. It was up to the city to provide for them.

"This," said Ald. Clayton, "makes it seem all the worse. If the hospital board washed its hands of the case, then it looks all the more like a case of neglect. I doubt myself whether an hospital board can thus wash its hands of any case like this."

### MUDDY STREET CROSSINGS BOTHER ALD. CLAYTON

Council Has a Pow-pow About Them and City Engineer Enunciates Plans in View for Drying Them Off With New Crushed Rock

Ald. Clayton drew attention last night to a very necessary matter when he asked whether the Board of Works couldn't do something in regard to improving the street crossings in the business centres.

The council heard Col. Davis' report on the situation. The colonel mentioned that he was handicapped at present by shortage of rock with which to feed the crusher and supply dry macadam for the streets where they need it.

Ald. Morrissey mooted an idea that the rock dumped on lots at the point at Eleventh Street, beyond the junction might be hauled out there by the derrick and

Again the mayor expressed himself in favor of an investigation, and Ald. Morrissey used some very strong terms in characterising the situation. The more he heard about it, the less he liked it. He wanted to know how much the city was getting in return for the hospital grants given.

Ald. Bullock-Webster, moved that steps be taken at once to have the isolation shack improved as suggested by Dr. Reddie, and added to his motion that the extra-isolated hospital for small pox patients be built on Block 28, city reserve, at the cost of \$820 as further recommended by the Medical Health Officer. He suggested some points regarding the general hospital conditions which may be embodied in the forthcoming investigation, and the motion was carried.

Ald. Morrissey is meanwhile anxious that the nature of the quid pro quo between the hospital board and the city over the grants made, shall be reduced to writing in one way or other.

used for the crusher. This, he said, would kill two birds with one stone--supply the crusher and remove the rock which might occasion a law suit.  
The city engineer had a plan for using the small crusher with a certain amount of rock which is available at a pinch, until the large crusher arrives and can be set going at Second Avenue and McBride. This plan, after consideration by the Board of Works, will probably be the one adopted, the matter meanwhile remaining in the hands of that Board with power to act.  
Full and complete consignment of ship chandlery at Howe & McNulty's, 2nd Avenue. tf

Football Game Tonight  
The football game on Saturday night having been called off owing to the rain, the following teams have been selected to play tonight at Ibrox Park, corner of Second and Seventh, at 7.30. "A" Team--Goal, Paterson; backs, A. Murray and Youngman; half backs, Carmichael and Ives; outside right, Holmberg; centre, Ellis; outside left, Joyce. "B" Team--Goal, Brown; backs, J. Currie and Borland; half backs, S. Currie and Lamb; outside right, Barker; centre, Robertson; outside left, Wiliseroft.

At a meeting Saturday night a committee was appointed to obtain particulars in regard to the excursion to Terrace and to report tonight. The Caledonian Football Club have also decided to have a smoker in the K. of P. Hall on Thursday night at 8.30

Penetang Packs just received at Scott, Froud & Co.'s, 3rd ave.

### CITY WILL PAY McMORDIE THE \$10,000 SETTLEMENT

Decision Come to That it is Better to Abandon Appeal Case Over Contract Matter in Dispute and Compromise for Cash to the Amount Agreed on

S. P. McMordie, through his solicitor L. W. Patmore, has refused the city's offer for \$8,500 in settlement of his claims. He claims \$10,000.

Discussion on the matter at last night's council meeting showed Aldermen Dybhavn, Morrissey, Bullock-Webster, and Maitland in favor of settlement at \$10,000. Ald. Montgomery did not consider Mr. McMordie entitled to the sum, but rather than go to law he was in favor of acceptance of McMordie's offer.

City Solicitor Peters expressed himself in favor of settlement of McMordie's case at the sum proposed, also the Watson case, and the Kelly case on the same basis.

is. This, he thought, would clear the city of all legal trammels in connection with the contracts. When he had come to this council, Mr. Peters remarked that it was his idea that the city should get along with a few lawsuits as possible. If people tried to trample on the city then he would fight, and fight hard, but in this case he thought the claim had reached reasonable dimensions.

A motion in favor of settlement with Mr. McMordie at \$10,000. Mr. McMordie having first been approached for a definite answer that he would accept \$10,000 as final, was carried.

Mr. J. L. McIntosh, of the Toronto Pharmaceutical Co., Winnipeg, is in the city. Mr. McIntosh has been up the river as far as Hazelton.

**FREE! FREE! FREE!**  
A big beautiful 88 key electric player piano, worth \$1,200 given away to the pool players in the Basement pool room, Empress Theatre building.

### SECTION 2 IMPROVEMENTS

Meeting is called at the city police station, Wednesday evening, May 8th, at 8.30, to consider the advisability of important improvements at the western end of the city. All owning property in Section 2 or west of 7th St., in Section 1, are urged to attend. Committees will report.

### PRINCE RUPERT TWENTY MINUTES AGO

Finance Minister agitating for sidewalk on Fulton Street, between Third Ave. and new City Hall. Now, what do you know about that?  
City's threatened appeal against the contract judgments discovered to be only a lemon peel.  
Brilliant Discovery! Electric lights in buildings can be switched on in day time without having the streets lit too.  
Tom Maitland keeping his pealed eye on the Purchasing Agent over the forthcoming horse bargain.  
Merely Mabel says she wishes she had the magnet that gets mails so bunched together week-ends.