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THE FIFTY-EIGHT DOLLAR LIGHT

Common Branch Concurs With Select in Light Contract.

MR. EAST COMES OVER

Mr. Pender Makes Explanation and Two Companies Apply for Franchises—Two Important Amendments Reported to Railway Franchises—Schools Are Free—A Needed Ordinance—To Revise Rules of Order.

The Common Council met in adjourned session last night with the President, Hon. J. Frank East, in the chair and the following members present: Messrs. Beaman, Camp, Ridgewell, Hannan, Taylor, Stahl, Kiernan, Joynes, Underdown, Keeling, Jones, Martin, the latter completing a quorum, without Atlantic City Ward's vote. Later Messrs. Whitehurst, Seneca and (after the school vote) Armstrong, Hodges, the latter, just in time for the light contest.

THE SESSION OPENS.

After an abbreviated reading of the minutes by the clerk, the work of the evening was taken up. In concurrence with the Select Council the \$800 appropriation was voted for Ghent bridge. Mr. East ruled that Atlantic City had no vote. To this Mr. Camp demurred, as Atlantic City had to pay half the bill. He was overruled, however.

The letter of the Board of Harbor Commissioners, notifying of the expiration of the board's term of office, was referred to a joint session.

The St. Vincent building tax was re-mitted.

The increase of monthly appropriation for Brambleton Ward, \$700, in lieu of \$600, and \$350, for December.

The Fire Committee's report of engine repairing necessitated by the collision formerly noted. The engine to be rebuilt, at a cost of \$1,900, with guarantee of five years; the letter was filed.

PARK WATER CONTRACT.

In the Norfolk County Water Company contract Mr. Kiernan moved that this branch adhere to its former action. This was adopted by a vote of 10 to 4. Messrs. Seneca, Jones, Ridgewell and Hannan voting "No."

The resolution authorizing the Park Committee to make the contract was claimed by the chair to be adopted by a vote of 10 to 4, the same parties voting "No."

Mr. Ridgewell disagreed with the chair on the ground that the action carried appropriation of money.

In this he was supported by Mr. Taylor and Mr. Camp.

THE RULING STOOD.

The chair ruled and was supported by Mr. Beaman in the ruling, that as the matter had once passed the Council it need only a majority to adhere to the former action. Mr. Beaman suggested

SPECIAL NOTICES.

NOTE.—THOSE INTERESTED IN the great raffle at Feuerstein & Co., foot of Commerce street, please call at the above named place between 9 a. m. and 2 p. m. Wednesday, December 21, del-15.

MME. GATES REQUIRES 2 YOUNG persons to assist her in her hair parlors to learn the business. Apply 355 Main street, over 5 and 10-Cent Store, Norfolk, Va. del-13.

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that he had never heard that a minority could undo what a majority had done. Considerable argument followed, but the chair stood firm and the decision went.

THE SCHOOL TAX.

Mr. Camp was asked by Mr. Steed if he cared to bring up the school matter. Mr. Camp retorted that he wasn't sure he belonged to the Council, but thought better of it and brought up the resolution to strike out the clause in the school law refusing the privilege of the schools to those whose fathers did not pay a poll tax. He spoke to some length, urging the need of the passage of the ordinance concurring with the Select branch in this matter.

The motion prevailed, Atlantic City not being allowed to vote, much to Mr. Camp's disgust.

AN IMPORTANT AMENDMENT.

The franchise asked for by the Norfolk street railway, as passed by the Select Council, next came up, granting the extension of tracks on Granville, Highland and Malby avenues, making a belt.

Mr. East vacated the chair and offered an amendment, granting the franchise on the consideration that a fare for school children of 2 1/2 cents, when going to and from school, and mechanics and laborers between 6 and 7 a. m. and 6 and 7 p. m., at the same rate, and the hours of boarding cars to determine the fare, places of sale of tickets and number sold to one person to be determined by the Councils.

The ordinance and amendment were referred to a committee of five to be appointed.

Another amendment, applying the same rules to other companies, was also referred to this committee.

A POPULAR ORDINANCE.

An ordinance forbidding the scattering of papers, advertisement matter, bills and posters in the city, and imposing a fine of \$1 to \$5 for such violation, the ordinance to be in force from its passage, was offered by Mr. Taylor, and on Mr. East's motion, the rules were suspended and the ordinance passed.

A resolution offered by Mr. Taylor, appointing a committee of five to revise the rules of order of the Councils, was adopted.

Explanation by Mr. Cousins for his absence from the last meeting was received and filed.

Mr. Camp being questioned by Mr. East as to whether he (Mr. East) would have the privilege of appointing the committee on the railway ordinance, the former retorted that so far as he could see Mr. East could do as he pleased in this Council, right or wrong.

ADDITIONAL PAPERS PASSED BY.

The following additional papers in the light matter (which has proved no light matter to the Common Council) were noted as in hand, but were not read:

A letter from the Mayor of Boston in regard to enclosed lights.

A letter from the president of the National Gas and Construction Company to Mr. Pender, December 7th, 1899.

A letter from Mr. R. Lancaster Williams, December 12th, to Mr. Tunstall.

A letter from Mr. R. A. Smith, city electrician, to Mr. Ridgewell.

A resolution accepting the bid of the Norfolk Railway and Light Company for open arc lights at \$58 and incandescents for \$6 per annum.

THE STREET LIGHTING.

The light matter then came up and Mr. Kiernan moved concurrence with the Select Council.

Mr. East substituted that the Council do not concur, but adopt the report of the majority of the Light Committee.

At this point the courtesy of the floor was extended Mr. Pender to allow him to make an explanation, which he did, as follows:

ARE STAYING HERE.

I simply wish to state that I have heard it was reported that the Norfolk Heat, Light and Power Company were intending to withdraw. This I wish to emphatically deny, as the following paper will prove:

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 14th, 1899. To the Honorable Common and Select Councils of the City of Norfolk:

The Norfolk Heat, Light and Power Company hereby respectfully presents its petition for the privilege of conducting the electric light business, in all its branches, in the city of Norfolk, and asks permission for the use of the streets and alleys of Norfolk for the purpose of erecting its poles and stringing its wires. It would respectfully ask that this petition be referred to a special committee of your honorable bodies, and any franchise that may be granted this company shall be upon condition that a bond be required of this company for the erection of its plant, work to be commenced within a reasonable time, and to be completed within a reasonable time.

Very respectfully, NORFOLK HEAT, LIGHT & POWER COMPANY. By W. D. PENDER, Vice President.

In presenting the above petition, I desire both the Councils and the public to understand that it is the purpose of the company to erect its plant, and ask for its share of the commercial lighting of this city. If the Councils of Norfolk will grant us a franchise, we are prepared to give a bond guaranteeing to the city the erection of an entirely new and up-to-date plant. We do not ask of the city any special privileges, but only desire to be placed upon the same footing with the company now doing business here. We believe that Norfolk is sufficiently large for two electric light companies, and feel assured that the coming of a new electric light company, bonded for the actual cost of construction, will certainly be of the greatest benefit to the consumers of electric light and power.

A KNOCKOUT BLOW.

The question was then called and the following vote resulted on the motion to adopt the majority report of the Light Committee: Ayes—Beaman, Keeling and East. Nays—Hannan, Hodges, Jones, Joynes, Kiernan, Martin, Ridgewell, Seneca, Stahl, Taylor, Underdown, Whitehurst.

There was a subdued ripple of excitement about the Council as the vote was announced, and this was not lessened by Mr. East's taking the floor.

THROWS UP HIS HANDS.

Mr. East remarked that he recognized as well as any one when he had run up against a brick wall, and now gave up the fight. What he had done, he had done conscientiously, and as he saw, right. He was fighting for the people and against extortion and mo-

POWERS OF THE WATER BOARD

Citizens and Taxpayers Discuss the Action of Councils.

THEY THINK IT UNWISE

Every Department of the City Government Should be Held to the Strictest Accountability, and Each Remain Under Control of the Councils—The Ordinances Upon Which the Interviews Below Are Based.

The wisdom of the action of the City Councils in conferring extraordinary powers upon the Board of Water Commissioners having been seriously questioned, the Virginian-Pilot has decided to submit the matter to representative citizens for their views on the subject.

Following are some of the interviews given the Virginian-Pilot yesterday:

COL. L. D. STARKE.

Colonel L. D. Starke, being asked for his views on the subject, replied that every department of the city government should be held to the strictest accountability. It is no reflection upon the incumbents to say that the power conferred by the Councils upon the Board of Water Commissioners to create, without limitation, as many new offices as they might deem necessary, and to affix such salaries to those offices as they might choose, was a power that ought not to be conferred upon any subordinate branch of the city government. The board might not abuse the power, but suppose they did, who could restrain or correct them? No such power is given to any other department, which demonstrates the general trend of public sentiment on this subject, and no good reason has been assigned why it should be given to the Water Board. Indeed, the Councils are themselves but trustees for the management of our municipal affairs, and it is believed that it never was intended by the Legislature, in granting the city charter, to authorize the Councils to strip themselves of powers peculiarly their own and delegate them to others. When the ordinance of last February was passed conferring these extraordinary powers, Councilman East proposed a proviso to the effect that, "after the appointments shall have been made, their duties defined, and their compensation fixed, the same shall be approved by the Councils." That was a very proper amendment, and should have been passed, but it was voted down.

MR. R. HENRY JONES.

"If I had been in the Councils when the ordinance granting these powers to the Water Board was introduced I would have fought it from the beginning. Not only this, but every other department should be directly under the control of the Councils."

MR. THOMAS TOWNSEND.

"In regard to the ordinance giving the Board of Water Commissioners power to run the Water Department regardless of the Councils, I have to say that if it is right to grant such powers to the Water Board, the same powers to the Board of Street, Sewer and Drain Commissioners, and, in fact, all boards, and relieve the Councils of still more responsibility and trouble. Why load your Councilmen with small details, such as looking after the financial affairs of the city? Why should they be required to know what a certain department is spending; or what salary an official is getting? It would be too much work for them; too great a responsibility. But by no means should partially be shown. Treat all the boards as near alike as possible.

"Seriously, I am very much opposed to the delegation of powers as shown in that ordinance. The Water Board is its own boss, and that should be true of no city department."

MR. C. H. FERRELL.

"In reply to your request for my views on the ordinance granting authority to the Water Board to manage its own affairs, I will say that personally I would prefer to say nothing about this matter; but, still, as the interests of the city are my interests, in a sense, I do not see any propriety in stating that my opinion is that it is not right to grant one city board more power than another. The power delegated in this ordinance seems to me, after careful reading, to take the Water Board practically out of the hands of the Councils. I should not be surprised if, under this ordinance, the Board has the perfect right to establish a water-meter system, for instance. I do not know that any of the powers have been abused, but it is not advisable to let one Board have such wide authority and restrict the others."

MR. C. WHITTLE SAMS.

"I am opposed to any department of our city government being allowed free rein. It is, in my opinion, contrary to the spirit of our charter. Every official should be accountable to the representatives of the people of the city."

THE ORDINANCE IN QUESTION.

Passed by Common Council February 7th, 1899.

Passed by Select Council February 14th, 1899.

AN ORDINANCE.

Amending and Re-enacting Section 7 of Chapter 46 of Ordinances of 1891.

Section 1. Be it ordained by the Common and Select Councils of the city of Norfolk that section 7 of chapter XLVI, City Ordinances, 1891, entitled Water Department, which was amended and re-enacted so as to read as follows: It

shall be the duty of the Board of Water Commissioners to conduct and manage the affairs of the water department of the city in such a manner as will best subservise the city's interest; and to that end they are hereby AUTHORIZED AND EMPOWERED TO MAKE CONTRACTS FOR THE PURCHASE OF THE SUPPLIES necessary for the daily operation of the works and for such ordinary repairs to the machinery as may, from time to time, be needed; to enter into contracts for permanent improvements to the works subject to the approval of the Councils; to employ laborers necessary to the efficient working of the plant; to use the ground or soil under any street, road or highway within the county or city of Norfolk for the purpose of repairing or laying water pipes, erecting hydrants, and making connections with the water mains for private or public use; but with the express stipulation that they are to restore the surface of such street, road or highway as near as may be to its original condition and repair all damages caused by such use thereof; to appoint a superintendent, a registrar, one or more inspectors, a lineman, a chief engineer, six assistant engineers and SUCH OTHER OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES AS MAY BE NECESSARY; TO DEFINE THEIR DUTIES AND TO FIX THEIR COMPENSATION; TO ESTABLISH RATES FOR WATER; to make rules and regulations governing the plumbing and introduction of water into private or public premises and for the general conduct of the water department not in conflict with these general ordinances.

PEOPLES' FORUM.

NOTE.—The People's Forum being freely open to all parties, classes, persons, views and capacities, the Virginian-Pilot is responsible for none of the statements nor opinions expressed therein, nor for the style in which they are set forth. The ignorant and uneducated shall be heard here equally with the learned.

WATER BOARD FINANCES.

CITY DOES NOT CONTROL EXPENDITURES, BUT PAYS DEFICITS.

Editor Virginian-Pilot: I have been very much interested in the discussion which has been carried on in the columns of your paper relative to the peculiar and extraordinary powers and privileges granted the Water Department by the City Councils, and take the liberty of expressing some thoughts which have occurred to me in reference to the matter.

I do not think the Water Board should have a treasurer; the funds of that department should be handled and disbursed by the City Treasurer, the same as the funds of any other City Department. I would cast no reflection upon any gentleman who has ever occupied the position of Treasurer of the Board; but, at the same time, I can see no use in making A HALF WAY PRIVATE CORPORATION of the Water Department.

The City has to pay out of its Treasury any deficit that may arise; and Mr. Herbert L. Smith, in his figures given in the Superintendent's Annual Report, attaches the following explanatory note, which drops a broad hint that the City Councils are to be called upon next summer for considerable financial aid:

"N. B.—But for the following necessary expenses the Department would not have to ask any financial aid from the city:

Table with 2 columns: Item and Amount. Interest \$250,000.00 4 per cent. Bonds \$10,000.00. Operating expenses filter \$8,000.00. Loss through cut meter rate \$8,000.00. Total increased expense \$26,000.00.

Thus it would seem that the city is likely to be asked for at least \$26,000 to bridge over the ANTICIPATED financial needs of the Water Department, though AT THE SAME TIME THE CITY HAS NO CONTROL OVER THE EXPENDITURES OF THAT DEPARTMENT. Very respectfully, TAX-PAYER.

Obstructions Removed.

Yesterday's Baltimore Sun says: "Major Thomas L. Casey, of the Corps of Engineers, in charge of river and harbor improvements at Norfolk, Va., has reported to the inspector of the Fifth Lighthouse District that he has removed the two tank cars which were sunk in the channel of the Elizabeth river by a collision between a steamer of the Old Dominion Line and a tow barge of the New York, Philadelphia and Norfolk railroad. The wreck of the barge Caravan, on Lower Middle Ground, at the entrance to Chesapeake bay, and that of the schooner Augustus Palmer, which was sunk during the August hurricane on the tail of the Horseshoe, have also been removed."

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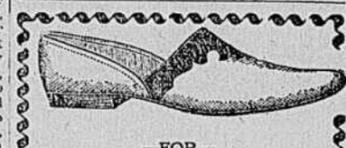
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