

# Talked Over Harbor Matters

The Harbor, Waterfront and Wharves Committee, that which sports the longest name of any of the standing committees of the town council, held a session on Monday evening when different matters relating to the harbor and waterfronts were debated.

Mr. F. W. Churchill's letter threatening legal proceedings unless his fees in connection with the Truesdell arbitration were settled was considered for some time. It was brought out that under the agreement of purchase these fees were to be paid by the G.T.R., that being one of the conditions offered and accepted by Superintendent Tiffin on behalf of the Grand Trunk. In view of this it was decided to take the matter up with Mr. Tiffin and recall to him the offer, also his acceptance in which he said that the \$2,000 would be paid from Montreal and that Mr. W. T. Toner would see the town in respect to arbitration fees. In the meantime Mr. Churchill will have to wait, but then all things come to him who waits.

Another matter talked over was the removal of the large steel freighter *Strathcona* from the town wharf, the steamer being in the way of the workmen engaged on the construction of the new town wharf. According to information received by the committee the steamer was berthed at the dock under instructions of the harbor-master and in contravention of orders given by the wharfinger. The owners, Messrs. McKay of Hamilton, were asked to remove the boat some time ago, but practically refused, stating that the contractors could do so at their own expense should they so desire. Messrs. McKay will again be communicated with and doubtless the matter will be amicably settled as it should be. For years the town has been holding out inducements to owners to winter their vessels here and while in this case it is possibly necessary that the steamer must be removed, no arbitrary measures should be resorted to.

The committee also briefly considered some matters regarding the railroad crossing on Hurontario St., but no action was taken.