TO CLEAR TAXIS OFF K.E. STAND

Works Committee Repeats Recommendation That Their Rights be Cancelled

VOTE AGAINST WHARF

On a motion of Ald. F. W. Johnston it was decided by the civic Works Committee yesterday that all taxi-cabs will be cleared off Colborne, Scott and Victoria streets in the vicinity of the King Edward Hotel. When the question again came up it was decided to repeat the original recommendation that all taxis be cleared out.

From what developed it would appear that the Yellow Taxi-cab Company and the independent drivers have clashed, and that the King Edward Hotel favors the company. Ald. Maher wanted the stand to be allowed and divided between the two, but Works Commissioner Harris pointed out that Colborne street was a one-way street and that any such ruling would conflict with the rules laid down by the Police Commission. Various suggestions to avoid congestion were refused by the committee, and the motion to exclude all taxi-cabs from the district carried.

The committee also decided against any wharf at the foot of Hlawatha avenue on the Island. Ald, Burgess got this through the Board of Control on the understanding that the city would only have to pay \$500 for the wharf and that the ferry company would pay the rest. The committee found that the wharf would cost about \$9,800 if constructed to stand the weather.

Favor New Garage.

Street Commissioner. Wilson recommended that the city build a one-story brick garage, 120 feet by 58, at a cost of \$50,000, on city-owned property on the north side of Dundas street, immediately adjacent to the Don destructor.

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The proposed building would enable the department to vacate the Bay street fire hall, at present occupied by its electric flushers and charging equipment. This was approved and sent on to the Board of Control.