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## GERMAN PURCHASE ANNOYS ALDERMEN

### Montreal-First Motion Fol- lows Discussion of Fire Truck

A \$21,500 purchase of a fire ladder truck, material for most of which apparently originated in Germany, roused protest in City Council yesterday.

The protest was immediately followed by a resolution stipulating that in future, any purchases made by City Hall should by preference originate in the City of Montreal, secondly in the Province of Quebec, and finally in the Dominion of Canada, rather than in a foreign country.

Without mentioning the ladder Ald. Joseph Schubert told Council he would not have voted for a recent purchase if he had known the country of origin. Council, however, knew what he was talking about, and Ald. Max Seigler then suggested that the Executive Committee should determine the country of origin when purchasing anything, "in order to avoid a repetition of the ladder case."

Ald. James Donnelly then rose with a prepared motion, which he proposed, seconded by Ald. Eugene Durocher, asking that:

"The Executive Committee be requested to instruct all heads of departments, when specifying or contracting for any materials, goods or merchandise to be used by the city, to see that the same are manufactured first, on the island of Montreal, secondly, in the Province of Quebec, or thirdly, in Canada, and that no foreign materials, goods or merchandise be specified or used by the City without a resolution of the said Executive Committee."

The motion passed unanimously

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