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MONSTER POWER DELEGATION MARCHES ON QUEEN'S PARK

2,000 Representatives of Western Ontario Municipalities See Whitney About Cheap Niagara Power.

GOVT. ASKED TO GENERATE, TRANSMIT, DISTRIBUTE

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Toronto, April 11.—The long promised monster delegation from Western Ontario to interview the Government on the generation and transmission of cheap power from Niagara, presented their views to Premier Whitney today. Before proceeding to the Parliament buildings there was a meeting at the city hall, which most of the members of the delegation attended. There were a number of addresses on the subject of Niagara power, the meeting concluding by Mayor Judd, of London, moving a resolution asking the Government to undertake the generation, transmission and distribution of power. The resolution was carried unanimously, and the delegation, about 2,000 strong, then marched upon the Government buildings.

The delegation was one of the largest that ever entered Queen's Park. As far as the eye could reach up University avenue, the procession could be seen. Upon entering the building the delegates filled every nook and corner of the corridors. Premier Whitney received the members on the floor of the House. In all about 72 municipalities were represented, the following being a few of them: Toronto, London, Tillsonburg, Streetsville, Collingwood, Fergus, Hespeler, Kingston, St. Thomas, Oshawa, King, Dunnville, Newmarket, Simcoe, Waterloo, Cayuga, Barrie, Weston, Lincoln, St. George, Paris, Galt, Southampton, Elginboro, Oakville, Elora, Berlin, Grimsby, Guelph, Ayr, Stratford, Glenora, Woodstock, Windsor, Mitchell, Simcoe, New Hamburg, Embury, Norwich and Bolton.

The outside delegates numbered close to 1,500, and these were augmented by representatives from different associations and bodies in Toronto.

The London delegation consisted of Mayor Judd, Ald. Gerry, Garratt, Forristal, Cooper, Greenlee, Saunders, Stevenson, Wyatt, Booth, Armstrong and City Clerk Baker, representing the city council; Messrs. G. R. Gerrard, A. W. White, C. B. Hunt and ex-Ald. Stevens, of the board of trade, and H. Hollingshead, of the Trades and Labor Council. Mr. J. C. Dymally, ex-Ald. Winnett, Mayor Beattie and other prominent Londoners were also in the House when the delegation was heard.

Mayor Coatsworth, of Toronto, called the delegation to order in the city hall, reminding the speakers that what the municipalities want is immediate action. At this moment, Mr. Gamble, came through the crowd and Mayor Coatsworth referred to him as "one of the best men in the Province," and he slapped him on the back. The delegates received this digression with a laugh.

Mayor Judd's Resolution.

Mayor Coatsworth presided, and after the delegates had given their instructions, a resolution, moved by Mayor Judd of London, was put and carried. The resolution was that the Government to appoint a permanent commission with power to construct a power plant for the Falls, for the generation, transmission and distribution of power.

WHO IS MARGARET FORBES?

Died in Buffalo, and Remains Are Being Sent Here for Interment.

Chief of Police Williams received a telegram from Buffalo this morning stating that Margaret Forbes had died in that city, and asking that the relatives of the dead woman here be notified.

The name of Hatch Bros. was attached to the message, but no particulars about the deceased were given. A member of the detective department endeavored to find the relatives of the woman, but was unsuccessful, although he visited every family in the city by the name of Forbes.

Mr. D. A. Stewart, undertaker, of Dundas street, also received a message from Buffalo this morning, stating that the remains of Miss Forbes had been sent to London for interment, and asking him to take charge of them. They were supposed to have been sent on the express leaving Buffalo at 8:15, but they did not arrive on that train, and will not reach London until this evening. Mr. Stewart does not know anything of the relatives of the dead woman, but expects that the remains will be accompanied by some friends.

On Half Time.

Meadville, Pa., April 11.—All departments of the Erie Railroad shops here were put on half time today on account of the coal strike.

Destroyed by Fire.

Wichita, Kan., April 11.—The business portion of Belleplais, 29 miles south of here, was practically destroyed by fire last night, causing a loss of \$150,000.

tion of power to the municipalities reachable in a studio, and to arrange with any existing companies for the purchase of power for the municipalities at a reasonable rate. The commission to have power to regulate the price at which the power shall be sold by the Government to municipalities or others. The resolution also stated that the municipalities represented a million people in Western Ontario.

Municipalities Can't Afford It.

Upon arrival at the Parliament building, Mayor Coatsworth opened with an address. He said all the municipalities within a radius of 150 miles were represented. The municipal power report says that for an expenditure of \$12,000,000 the people of Western Ontario may have electric power at an average cost of \$20 a horse power. The municipalities cannot take up the matter, as it is too great a work financially, and this is why the delegation waited on the Government and asked the Provincial Government to establish a plant at the Falls and sell the power cheaply.

He then read the city hall resolution. The delegation, Mayor Coatsworth said, was a most representative one. He then called on representatives to express their opinions to the Premier. Mayor Judd said: To Londoners it seemed that the power of Niagara must be given to the people cheaper than at present, and they believed that the Government should give this power to the people cheaply as it is possible to give it. If the Government is not prepared to do this, then the Government should see that the power generated by private companies at the Falls shall be sold at a fair rate. It can be sold for one-third of the cost of the most of what it is now being sold for. London is heartily in favor of cheap power, and wants it right away. Senator McMullen said that the Government can do more for the Province of Ontario by giving the people cheap power than in any other way.

Senator McMullen, Mayor Sleeman, Mayor Joseph Marshall, ex-M.P. G. B. Ryan, of Guelph, Col. Belcher, of Southampton, Mayor Butler, of Woodstock, also spoke along the same line. James Simpson, of the Toronto Council, said the workmen of Western Ontario desire that the Government conserve the power of Niagara Falls for the people.

Mr. Whitney's Reply.

In reply, Premier Whitney said that in 1903 before the time of deputations he had placed himself on record as being in favor of government generation and transmission of Niagara power for the people, and since that time he has had no reason to recede from his position. In the most emphatic language, he stated that he believes the people of the Province should be given power at what it costs to generate and distribute for, or a very small additional cost. The question is one which should not be considered from a geographical standpoint, but from the standpoint of the people of Western Ontario, which is entitled to all the benefits which God has placed within their reach.

In conclusion, the Premier said that the report of the hydro-electric power commission will be laid on the table during the afternoon, and that the whole matter would be discussed. There would be many methods of dealing with the question, and it will be the duty of the Government to select the best methods, if, after careful consideration, it was found that the Government could not go into the scheme of Niagara power. It will be the duty of the Government to go forward and so inform the people, and leave the work, if it is possible, to other and stronger hands.

WANTS FIXED ASSESSMENT

Application Being Made to the Council by a New Industry.

Mr. Andrew Mann, formerly manager for the Canada Brass Works Company, of this city, is asking the city council for a fixed assessment, and free water, for an industry which he proposes to establish in the east end.

The site of the factory has not been determined, but it will either be in the neighborhood of the Interlocking line or else south of the Grand Trunk, and east of Rectory street. The company is understood that the number of men employed at the outset will be twenty-five.

WILL GAMEY GET IT?

Toronto, April 11.—Following the announcement by Premier Whitney of a Government policy of mining development in the Cobalt region, under a commission, comes the news that Roswell Gamey, member for Manitoulin, will be appointed upon the new Teniskaming mining commission. It is even hinted that the chairmanship will not be beyond his reach.

Government and Opposition members were unwilling to speculate on Mr. Gamey's chances this morning. There is little doubt as to his acceptance, as the member for Manitoulin has always taken an especial interest in mining development.

FAKE LETTERS FROM SPAIN

Clumsy Attempt of Sharper to Fleeced the Unwary.

Several persons in the city have been receiving strange fake letters from Spain, and this morning the following was handed over to Detective Nickle:

"Sir,—Prisoner here for bankruptcy. I ask you if you will help me to recover a sum of \$180,000 dollars which I possess in a bank in America, and for that came here to ransom my baggage, paying to the registry the necessary expenses in order to take possession of a handbag, containing a secret drawer, in which are hidden the pieces indispensable to veton the sum, and take under your protection during my captivity, my dear and unique daughter, orphan child of mother."

"I will cede you as amends the fourth of that amount, besides the expenses which you will have."

"As I do not know if you are at the same address, and for fear that my letter may not reach you, I will await your reply before I sign my name, and I trust you will all the matter."

"I cannot receive your answer in prison, but you will send a cablegram, which will be permitted to me with all safety by the intermediary of a person of confidence."

"Here is the address:
Leciano Carreras Carretas,
29 Madrid, Spain."

"For protection sign the cablegram with this name, Johnston. For your answer I only sign C. Waiting. Above all, answer by cablegram, not by letter."

TYRANNY ALLEGED AT THE R. M. C.

Juniors Have to Act as Servants to the Seniors, It Is Said—London Cadet's Case.

The following special dispatch from Kingston appears in the Hamilton Times:

"In a dispatch from London, Ont., recently, it was said that Jack Marshall, son of Joseph Marshall, ex-M.P., is recovering from an illness of three weeks' duration. It is understood that Marshall's injuries were the effects of having received at the Royal Military College at Kingston."

"Inquiries made at the college at the time failed to disclose any information in regard to Marshall's case. It was simply denied that he was there, and his sickness was credited to a cold."

But the putting of the matter was not regarded as satisfactory here by those familiar with college life. A system of tyranny is established there by the seniors over the juniors. The seniors are the servants of the juniors. A first-year cadet is practically a valet for one of the higher grades. He must bring his seniors' cane, coat, boots, etc., when and where ordered, and assist in putting them on. In the college room he must attend to the needs of the seniors, and in the dining hall he must serve the seniors. There is a code of rules drawn up by the seniors, and any violation is visited with punishment, sometimes of a serious nature. This was, as reported, in Cadet Marshall's case. He was found guilty of some infraction of the regulations, and then taken to a tree on the college grounds. In his nightgown, tied to and left till he was chilled and delirious. Marshall's case is not the only one with which Cadet Rumor is busy. For according to the seniors, another student offender was taken by the seniors and tied to a tree near Fort Henry and left long enough to become seriously ill from the exposure.

POSTMASTERS' PETITION

Deputation from All Parts of Canada Ask Increased Remuneration.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Ottawa, April 11.—A delegation of postmasters from all over Canada waited on the Postmaster-General today. They asked that their positions be improved and their salaries increased. They asked for 60 per cent on actual and proper stamp sales up to \$1,000 per annum in small country offices. Where this will not net the postmaster a remuneration of \$50, then \$20 be fixed as the minimum. They also asked that 40 per cent be allowed on stamp sales for \$1,000 to \$3,000 per annum, and 30 per cent on sales from \$3,000 to \$10,000. They asked 10 per cent of legitimate postal revenue be allowed for rent, fuel and light, or actual cost of space required with allowance for fuel and light. Time before 8 o'clock and after 7 o'clock should be allowed for as "night allowance" or overtime allowance. They asked for a depot of postal stores and supplies at Winnipeg for convenience of the service in the west.

Jumped From Bridge.

New York, April 11.—Nathan Isaacs, of 68 Revington street, jumped from the middle of the Williamsburg bridge into the East River today, and was promptly taken out of the water by the crew of a ferryboat. His clothing was torn to shreds, his shoes were torn from his feet, and he was terribly bruised by the impact with the water. He was unconscious when rescued, but soon revived, and was removed to a hospital. The distance from the bridge to the water is 135 feet.

OPERATORS MAKE COUNTER PROPOSAL

Will That 1902 Commission Decide If Award Should Be Modified.

New York, April 10.—A counter-proposition was made by the anthracite coal operators at their meeting today with the representatives of the United Mine Workers of America. This proposition rejects the arbitration plan offered by John Mitchell, president of the United Mine Workers, and suggests the following instead:

"The anthracite coal commission of 1902 should be requested to reconvene and consider whether, in any circumstances have arisen since April 1, 1903, which would justify a modification of its award of that date, in respect only to the following subjects:

1.—Wages.
2.—Constitution of board of conciliation.

"Any new award of the commission shall be binding for a period of three years."

The joint conference adjourned after having been in session about half an hour, to meet again on Thursday, at 1:30 p. m.

At the close of the meeting a copy of a letter from independent miners, who held a meeting at Wilkes-Barre yesterday, to the operators' committee, was made public. This letter expressed the conviction of the independent operators that any agreement to arbitrate with the United Mine Workers would be an unjustifiable surrender to anarchy and mob violence. The letter contained the following:

IF NAMES KNOWN

COULD NOT WORK

Parties Comprising the North Atlantic Trading Company Must Remain Unknown.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Ottawa, April 11.—James A. Smart, ex-deputy minister of the Interior, was examined at the agricultural committee today. He was asked by Mr. Monk who were the parties comprising the North Atlantic Trading Company, that is engaged in the work of immigration on the European continent. Mr. Smart is their Canadian representative, with head office at Montreal. The witness refused to disclose the names of the parties, but he admitted that he was engaged, but he was not willing to give up the business and probably be expelled from the country, because they were carrying on their propaganda, notwithstanding that the laws of the countries were opposed to immigration.

Mr. Smart explained that for these reasons the understanding with the company was that their names should not be made known. If this assurance were not given the company they would not enter into the agreement. The question being pressed by Mr. Monk, the chairman decided that the witness need not answer. The decision of the chair was challenged, and on a vote of 24 to 26 was sustained. Mr. Monk was not ready with some questions which he desired to put, and Mr. Smart will be recalled.

World's Fair for London.

London, April 11.—A proposal to hold a world's fair here in 1908 was submitted in the House of Commons by Mr. Fell. It drew an expression of doubt from Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, the prime minister, as to whether the commercial community would welcome such a fair. He was willing to consider any evidence in favor of it, but preliminary matters would have to be considered before the Government would decide to support such a movement financially, as Mr. Fell had suggested.

THE WEATHER.

Tomorrow—Fair and Mild.

London, Thursday, April 11.
Sun rises, 5:43 a.m. Moon rises, 10:04 p.m.
Sun sets, 6:56 p.m. Moon sets, 7:33 a.m.

The disturbance which was over the great lakes yesterday has nearly disappeared and the weather in Ontario and Western Quebec has somewhat improved. Wind and snow in the Maritime Provinces. The weather continues fair and mild in the Northwest Provinces. Minimum and maximum temperatures: Dawson, 6-16; John, 12-20; Victoria, 40-44; Vancouver, 40-55; Kamloops, 38-54; Calgary, 14-34; Edmonton, 24-55; Prince Albert, 26-38; Winnipeg, 32-40; Port Arthur, 32-50; Parry Sound, 32-40; Toronto, 57-69; Ottawa, 32-34; Montreal, 32-38; Quebec, 26-32; St. John, 32-36; Halifax, 24-32.

FORECASTS.

Wednesday, April 11—S. a. m. Today—Westerly winds, some scattered showers, but mostly fair.

Thursday—Northwesterly winds; fine, with a light drizzle.

TEMPERATURES.

Stations.	8 a.m.	Min.	Max.	Weather.
Calgary	29	12	48	Clear
Winnipeg	28	10	45	Clear
Port Arthur	36	20	52	Clear
Parry Sound	32	20	48	Rain
Edmonton	28	10	45	Clear
Ottawa	32	22	50	Cloudy
Montreal	32	20	48	Fair
Quebec	26	10	45	Cloudy
St. John	32	20	48	Cloudy

WEATHER NOTES.

During the past day snow and sleet have fallen over the greater portion of Quebec and the Maritime Provinces, while in Ontario the weather has been cloudy and unsettled. In the Northwest Province it continues fair and comparatively mild.

LOCAL TEMPERATURES.

The highest and lowest readings of the thermometer at the local observatory for the 24 hours ended at 8 a. m. Tuesday were: Highest, 45.5°; lowest, 32° above.

DUE TO JEALOUSY

Wetaskiwin Man Murders Another for Walking With Wife.

Wetaskiwin, Alta., April 11.—A man by the name of Storkey was shot and killed Monday night about 8:30 o'clock by Wm. Brock of this town. Jealousy is supposed to have been the cause of the murder, as Storkey has been warned several times by Brock to keep away from his wife. Storkey and Mrs. Brock were out walking and when near the Merchants Bank they were met by Brock, who at once fired four shots. One shot pierced Storkey's ear, the other three entering the body. After the shooting had been done Brock went home, where he was found about fifteen minutes later by Sergeant Phillips and Nunnally.

ANDRASSY FREES PRESS

New Austrian Minister Removes the Absolutist Strictures.

April 11.—Count Andrassy's first acts as minister of the Interior have been to rescind all the absolutist measures against the press, and public meetings, to reinstate dismissed officials, and stop some 80 political trials, including one against Herr Potonyi, the present minister of justice, for alleged treasonable expressions against the monarch.

Great patriotic demonstrations are projected in honor of the reconciliation of Austria and Hungary.

It is reported that Emperor Francis Joseph remarked to members of his entourage, that he now has only one wish, to bring about an agreement between the Germans and the Czechs.

MURDER SUSPECT

IN GREAT TERROR

Hackett Denies Killing Ahern Child, But the Evidence Looks Bad.

Montreal, April 11.—Of the three men now held on suspicion of having had something to do with the murder of Ida May Ahern, James Hackett, 32 Grand Trunk street, Point St. Charles, the latest to be arrested, has been positively identified as the man who was seen with the little girl on the afternoon of the tragedy. Hackett is most terrified at what the police are doing to connect him with the crime, but he denies all knowledge of it. His wife says that he was at home at the time the murder took place, but there are others who say that he was not. Hackett is a carpenter and is reticent about what circumstances evidence he already has, but admits that if something does not come of it he will be greatly surprised. Hackett is an employee of the Montreal Steel Company, and was not at work on the afternoon of the tragedy. There is little doubt that he at least closely resembles the guilty man. In order to make the identification as sure as possible the accused is held in a line with several other prisoners, and then the one who claims to have seen a man with the girl last Tuesday is called in and asked to pick him out. In every case today Hackett was named. The first prisoner, Raoul Ensey, who at one time boarded at the Ahern home, is still held pending further investigation.

TEACHERS' SALARIES

Inspector Thompson Speaks About the New Schedule.

Inspector Thompson was interviewed this morning by an Advertiser reporter regarding the new salary schedule as outlined by the Ontario Government. "I have not had time to look it over carefully yet," he said, "I think, however, that it will be of great benefit to the teachers. Nearly every township is assessed for at least \$100,000, and that will bring the salaries up to \$200, the \$250 grant, and equalize the township council. Very few have an assessment lower than \$50,000, and that will make the salaries of that class \$450. There may be a slight loss to a township of \$30,000, but they are so few that it will scarcely make much difference. Yes, it will raise salaries considerably in my inspectorate."

OUT OF SCHOOL FUNDS

How Toronto Ratepayers Paid for Presentation and Didn't Know It.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Toronto, April 11.—Public school ratepayers in Toronto have just discovered that they presented C. A. B. Brown, chairman of the board of education last year, with a magnificent silver tea service costing \$110. The presentation took place at the last meeting of the board, March 15, but everybody imagined it was the generous trustees who were paying grateful tribute to the retiring chairman. It was not, however, that the account for the silver service without comment, and paid out of school funds. Now that the discovery has been made there is likely to be trouble. Such diversion of school funds is illegal, and there is talk of instituting suit, compelling the trustees present when the account was passed to make restitution. The presentation is an innovation. Heretofore an illuminated address has marked the termination of the chairman's term of office.

STIFLING FUMES AND LURID SMOKE

Volcano Pall Hangs Heavy Over Neapolitans.

SARNO IS REPORTED DESTROYED

Mutiny Amongst the Panic-Stricken Prisoners in Naples Jail—Vesuvius Becoming Quietest.

Naples, April 11.—9:10 a. m.—The morning opened with the atmosphere oppressive and yellow with ashes from Mount Vesuvius, causing a feeling of apprehension regarding what the future may hold in store for this city and its vicinity. The volcano was completely hidden in the dense mass of cinder-laden smoke, the only other signs of activity being frequent and very severe detonations and deep rumblings. From all quarters come reports of the accumulation of thousands of the terror-stricken inhabitants of towns and villages, the collapse of buildings, the insufficiency of the relief measures, hunger and discouragement. It is no longer possible to reach the points which have suffered severely. Even the soldiers detailed to guard the ruins at Ottajano have been recalled, and the town has been left to the military forces have earned the gratitude and admiration of the people by their devotedness to duty and bravery. The number of dead in the market disaster is placed at 25. The injured number scores.

The eruption from Vesuvius increased during the night, and early today a coating of ashes and cinders to a depth of four inches covered the ground, and the roofs of buildings. All railroad service out of the city is interrupted.

The engineers have refused to take their trains because of the darkness caused by the heavy fall of ashes. 100,000 men to clean up.

So widespread is the catastrophe caused by the eruption of Vesuvius, it is estimated that it will require an expenditure of many millions of dollars to raise houses made unsafe for habitation by the accumulation of ashes and cinders on the roofs, to erect temporary huts of refuge for the thousands who have been obliged to flee from their homes, clear the roofs of buildings that may yet be saved, and to reconstruct the ruins of fallen structures and bury the dead.

The papers unite today in urging the Government to send Gen. Baldissera, who saved the situation after the crushing defeat of the Italians at the hands of the Abyssinians, at Adowa, Abyssinia, in the spring of 1896, and instruct him to organize and control the work of relief.

It is impossible to learn yet how many have perished since the eruption commenced, but at least six hundred have been crushed to death or suffocated.

Sarno Destroyed.

Naples, April 11.—The Mattino in its issue today asserts that Sarno, a town in the Province of Salerno, has been destroyed. It was impossible to verify this printed report this morning.

Sarno is a town of some 10,000 people and is situated about ten miles east of Vesuvius.

Prisoners Mutiny.

Naples, April 11, 11:05 a. m.—The prisoners in the city jail mutinied owing to a fight, and succeeded in breaking open some of the doors inside the building, but were subdued by the guards. They are in a state of great excitement, however, requiring doubled guards.

Less Alarming.

Naples, April 11.—The situation generally is considered to be less alarming than yesterday evening. The quantity of ashes being emitted is not so great and the rumblings are less frequent, though ashes and cinders are still falling over the city. There are about four inches of ashes in the streets.

According to the Mattino 50 houses, churches and the municipal buildings at Somma have collapsed, and the sand and cinders are six feet deep there and all the inhabitants have sought safety in flight.

Houses at Ottajano are still collapsing and most of the buildings in the towns and villages in that neighborhood are tottering or in ruins.

The employees of a tobacco factory in Naples, thinking the roof was about to fall in this morning, fled in panic from the building and communicated their fears to many people outside that the police were compelled to interfere and restore order. Many persons were injured during the panic, and the street car service has been re-established. The wheels, in their friction with the tracks, generate flames, showing the great amount of sulphur in the ashes.

Good News from Mattucci.

Rome, April 11.—Professor Mattucci, in charge of the observatory at Mount Vesuvius, telegraphed from there at 10 o'clock this morning as follows:

"The situation of myself and the quailers in the observatory was very grave throughout the night. Up to 8 o'clock this morning the observatory was enveloped in dense showers of sand, but the volcano is now calmer. The sismic instruments show quieter records than yesterday. I shall remain here so long as possible. If my words could influence the population they would be words of encouragement and sympathy, for I am most concerned."

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INCREASED PAY; MORE NORMALS

New Bills Amending Education Act Brought Down.

SPECIAL GRANTS TO SCHOOLS

Numbers To Be Temporarily Removed from Ballots—The Railway and Municipal Boards.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Toronto, April 11.—Two important Government bills were laid before the Legislature yesterday afternoon by Hon. Dr. Pyne, Minister of Education. One was entitled "an act respecting the department of education, the superintendent of education, and the advisory committee," and the other was "an act to amend the public schools act." The latter was the more interesting of the two, embodying as it does the Government's announced policy of raising public school teachers' salaries in rural districts by fixing a minimum stipend and furnishing increased grants. Both bills provide for a number of changes in the educational system, while still further modifications are promised for next session.

Numbered Ballots.

Another Government measure introduced by the Premier does away temporarily with the number on the provincial ballot, as used in the two recent elections. In introducing it, Hon. Mr. Whitney explained that its purpose was to settle temporarily the vexed and misunderstood matter of the numbered ballot. When the Government last year brought in legislation to abolish the numbered ballot, it meant by that term the number placed on the ballot by the deputy and the corresponding number placed opposite the voter's name in the roll book, which allowed a vote to be traced. The ballot used by the Government in the Kingston and North Toronto by-elections was numbered on the counter-foil and on the back of the ballot, for the purpose of preventing plugging and facilitating a scrutiny. This, though totally different from the Ross ballot, had been objected to by the Opposition. The amendment, therefore, abolished even this number, and the Government would have to run the risk of plugging should any bye-election be held this year. Between now and next session, the Government would consider whether it would be best to amend the million ballot, which is unnumbered, or adopt some entirely new system. Mr. Whitney incidentally expressed the hope that the Government should pay for polling booths at provincial elections.

Depends on Officials.

Mr. Harcourt said that honesty and secrecy depended on the character of the election officials. He advised the Government to study the Pennsylvania election laws.

In introducing the bills, Hon. Dr. Pyne said that both might be amended next session, when the high schools act, the truancy act, the public libraries act will be amended and consolidated.

The act respecting the department of education provided for the appointment of a superintendent of education and the establishment of an advisory council subject to the Minister of Education. The superintendent will have general supervision over all classes of provincial high, public and separate schools, art schools, public libraries and all inspectors. He may make recommendations to the minister on any matter arising out of this supervision.

The advisory council will consist of seven members, fifteen being elected and two ex-officio, the latter being the president of Toronto University and the superintendent of education. Three additional members will represent the University of Toronto, and Queen's, McMaster and Ottawa Universities will have one representative each. Two members will represent high school teachers, one the separate school teachers, four the public school teachers and two the public school inspectors. The first election will be held next October. The minister may, as he thinks best, accept or reject the advice of the advisory council.

The high school grants will be made as heretofore, except that no account will be taken of average attendance. The supplementary estimates will provide for a special grant to rural public schools.

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Irish vs. Germans

New Haven, Conn., April 11.—Angered because Mayor Studley refused to bar the performance of "McFadden's Flats" at the New Haven Theatre tonight, members of the twelve Irish societies of the city formed a solid phalanx and fought for nearly half an hour with fifty policemen, who were on duty there. Most of the policemen in the squad were Germans. The protest of the Irish societies was made because the play, they say, held the Irish up to ridicule, and had started riots in other cities.

STEAMERS ARRIVED.

Ship.	From.
April 10.	
Normand	New York
Germantown	New York
Kaiser Wilhelm	Naples
Der Grosse	New York
Furness	Glasgow
Nordamerika	Genoa
Finland	Antwerp</