

expenses, and if this has been done kindly advise me.

"It has been most unpleasant for us, a number of these men calling at my residence every evening when they could not locate me at the office.

"However, I trust that we will be able to settle everything satisfactorily, and keep the members of the party in good humor.

"With kind regards, I am,

"Yours respectfully,

"W. H. PRICE."

"Vancouver Conservative Club,

"570 Granville Street,

"Vancouver, January 31, 1912.

"W. H. Price,

"Honorary Secretary,

"Victoria Conservative Club,

"Victoria, B.C.

"Dear Mr. Price,—I enclose herewith my cheque for \$304.50, being amount of your claim against us for transportation of passengers.

"I attach hereto your statement and payment is made according to same. If you examine your statement you will find that where you have \$234.50, you added it \$340.00. By adding \$50.00 you get the amount covered by the cheque.

"I regret that this matter has been allowed to stand over so long, but I have reason to hope that this settlement will be satisfactory to you and your association, and that the good feelings that have always existed between the two organizations will continue.

"Yours truly,

"VICTOR H. LOVE,

"Assistant Secretary.

"Kindly return receipt and oblige.—V. H. L."

#### Bowser Didn't Prosecute

"I called this to the attention of Mr. Bowser, but do you think he would take any steps to prosecute or have it referred to a special committee of the legislature? You can wager that if he had such letters passing between two Liberal secretaries you would never hear the last of it. Mr. Bowser does not want to prevent plugging. If he did he would have accepted my amendment to the Elections Act last session, which would absolutely prevent plugging in the cities. This calls for the signing of his name by each voter as he comes

up to vote, and the comparison of his signature with that on his application for registration. Instead of this Mr. Bowser has had an amendment made compelling voters to write their names in a signature book but not providing any means of check. If a man has made up his mind to steal another man's vote, he will not balk at writing the name in a book when there is no opportunity of detecting his crime.

"The name of John T. Scott has been mentioned many times in this matter. They say in a pamphlet which is being distributed—an anonymous pamphlet, which bears no name of author, publisher or printer, and which does not carry a union label—that M. A. Macdonald engaged him in Alberta to come to this province for political purposes. Mr. Bowser and his machinists could not tell a bigger lie—and they can tell some whoppers. Scott was in Vancouver for a year before he was engaged to do canvassing work in checking up the 36,000 names on the voters' list, not half of which represented voters actually there. Had he done that no one could say anything against him, because his work was to find what voters were there, who had gone away and who might come back. But I believe Scott was not straight, that he was either wished on us by Sullivan as part of Sullivan's game or that he sold out to the other side after he was engaged for that work of canvassing.

#### Scott Came Back

"A subpoena was issued for Scott by the government side of the committee, but we did not know that. As a matter of fact we never knew who the next witness on the government side would be, but if we wanted a witness we had to notify the chairman. Afterwards they said they were looking for Scott. Well, Scott came over to Victoria one day, passed the guard at the entrance to the Parliament Buildings, signed his name on the book, shook hands with different newspaper men whom he knew and introduced himself in the name of John T. Scott to one newspaper man who did not recognize him. He was in the Liberal members' room and asked about the probable day for his appearance before the committee. He had scarcely gone home to get his papers together when the Vancouver