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**AN EARLY BY-ELECTION FOR LONDON;
MR. HYMAN WITHDRAWS HIS RESIGNATION****Will Retain Public Works
Portfolio by Sir Wil-
frid's Request.****Will Resume Work in His
Department Within the
Next Few Weeks.**

Ottawa, Feb. 8.—Members had barely settled in their seats in the Commons today before the deputy speaker submitted to the House the resignation (properly attested) of Hon. C. S. Hyman as member for London. The Prime Minister then presented the correspondence which he had with Mr. Hyman on the subject of his resignation, and read a telegram from the Minister of Public Works, announcing his willingness to retain his portfolio. This brought the leader of the Opposition to his feet with a complaint that Mr. Hyman's intentions had been disclosed at a Liberal meeting in London on Saturday last, and a protest against lack of frankness on the part of the Government, which, he declared, had characterized their communications to the House on the matter. Mr. Foster followed with a characteristic speech, in which he charged the Prime Minister with discharging the electors of London, and suggested that on the ground of ill-health, if on no other, Mr. Hyman should be relieved of office. The Prime Minister strongly repudiated the idea that because a minister fell into bad health he should be expected to resign his portfolio, characterized Mr. Foster's suggestion as cruel, reiterated his contention that the disclosures in connection with the London election afforded no sufficient reason for Mr. Hyman's resignation from the office of minister of public works, and pointed out that the electors of London would have an opportunity of passing judgment on what had taken place, at an early date.

On the orders of the day being called, the Prime Minister referred to Mr. Hyman's resignation and the various statements he had made in connection with the House in answer to questions by the leader of the Opposition as to Mr. Hyman's condition and his holding of office as minister of public works. He was glad to say that Mr. Hyman was a little better and able to read his correspondence, although he was sorry to say that his condition was not such that he could resume business. He had, however, received a communication from Mr. Hyman which completed the correspondence which he should lay before the House. Proceeding, the Prime Minister said that some six or seven weeks ago he received the following letter from Mr. Hyman:

Mr. Hyman to the Premier.
London, Nov. 19, 1905.
To the Right Honorable Sir Wilfrid Laurier, G.C.M.G., Ottawa, Ontario:
Sir, in view of the disclosures at Toronto in connection with the by-election on June 13, 1905, I have most regretfully reached the conclusion that, while I am neither personally charged with nor responsible for the acts referred to, I cannot continue under the circumstances to longer serve as the representative of the constituency of London, and I have therefore forwarded my resignation as member for that electoral division in the House of Commons.

As the resignation of my seat involves my withdrawal from the Government, I beg most respectfully to tender my resignation as minister of public works.

I find it difficult to express my regret at the breaking of the tie which has existed for nearly three years between my colleagues and myself, but I cannot part from them without an expression of heartfelt appreciation of their kindness and never-failing courtesy.

From you, sir, the severance of official relations is keenly painful, since I value at this moment more than ever the sympathetic consideration you have always shown me, and I pray you may long be spared to our country's service in the exalted position of Premier of the Dominion.

May I add that I leave the Government in full accord with its measures and general policy. Faithfully yours,
(Signed) C. S. HYMAN.

The Premier's Reply.

The Premier replied as follows:

My Dear Hyman:
I have your letter of the 19th inst., whereby you inform me that in view of the disclosures at Toronto, in connection with the by-election of June, 1905, you have come to the conclusion that you cannot continue to longer serve as the representative of the constituency of London and that you have forwarded your resignation to the speaker.

To this determination on your part, under existing circumstances, I cannot take any exception. I am not prepared, however, to admit your conclusion that the resignation of your seat should involve as a consequence your withdrawal from the Government. You say very truly in the opening sentence of your letter that you are not personally charged with nor responsible for the acts which have taken place in London. While a strict sense of honor may induce you to relinquish a seat

**Mrs. Thaw Contradicted
by Miss Edna Goodrich****Says That She Did Not Invite
Former to Dine With
White.**

New York, Feb. 9.—A dispatch from Meriden, Conn., says Miss Edna Goodrich, leading woman with Nat Goodwin's company, denied today that she was the medium through which Evelyn Nesbitt met Stanford White for the first time. Miss Goodrich said: "Evelyn Nesbitt and I were members of the same theatrical company at one time, and this was the only association I had with the girl. I was never a member of any social gathering that included Miss Nesbitt. I know Harry Thaw and Stanford White only through seeing them around the stage doors of theaters. It is not true, as Miss Nesbitt testified on the witness stand yesterday, that I invited her out to dine for the purpose of meeting Mr. White for the first time."

**DEEP SYMPATHY
FOR NEWFOUNDLAND****Question Not With Scope of
Dominion Govt.—Mr. Bryce
Instructed to Act.**

Ottawa, Ont., Feb. 9.—The Newfoundland fisheries question was introduced into the House of Commons yesterday. The matter was introduced by Mr. Lewis (West Huron), who asked the Prime Minister to state to the world at large that the people of Canada were in sympathy with their brethren in Newfoundland.

DAMAGES ACTION RESULTS**Arrest of Fred Webster is Followed by
Suit for False Imprisonment.**

Fred Webster, the Dorchester Township man who was some time ago arrested on a charge of committing an assault on the wife of George Crow, a neighbor, has instructed his solicitor, Mr. E. W. M. Flock, to enter an action for damages against Crow for false arrest.

BAD CRASH ON THE H. AND S.**Heavy Freight Train Crashes Into Pas-
senger With Fatal Results.**

Halifax, N. S., Feb. 9.—As a result of an accident on the Halifax Southwestern Railway, this morning, Willis T. Dwyer, sectionman, is dead, and Enos T. Dwyer, fireman, of Lunenburg, has lost both his legs and cannot possibly recover. One other man unidentified is very seriously injured, and several others are slightly injured. A train from Lunenburg for Middleton was standing at the Mahone Bay Junction station, and as the passengers were boarding the train a heavy freight train from Bridgewater, apparently beyond the control of the engineer, crashed into the engine of the passenger train. Both engines were badly injured. The freight shed was demolished and it is said the company's loss will be quite heavy.

LINERS IN COLLISION.

Southampton, England, Feb. 9.—The Atlantic Transport Line steamer Menominee, from Antwerp, yesterday from Philadelphia, put in here this afternoon badly damaged as the result of the collision off Beachy Head during the night, with the French coasting steamer President Lou Lallier.

FRENCH INCOME TAX.

Paris, Feb. 9.—M. Cocheru, ex-minister of finance, in an interview today, warmly indorses Finance Minister Caillaux's income tax project. It believes it will be probably modified, but says it forms an excellent basis for a direct system of taxation. M. Cocheru considers that the tax on rent is justified, and expresses the opinion that the Bourse campaign against the measure is inspired by those working to secure the exemption of foreign government securities, namely, Russians.

**SUSPECTED OF
RIFLING BOXES****Eight Motormen and Conductors
of Hamilton Street Railway
Summarily Discharged.**

Hamilton, Ont., Feb. 9.—Eight motormen and conductors in the employ of the Hamilton Street Railway Company were discharged this morning. While no reason was given for their summary dismissal, it is generally understood that the private detectives who have been riding on the cars for some time reported them as suspects in connection with the systematic rifling of the fare-boxes, which, the company claims, has been going on for some time. No arrests have been made, but the company officials say that there will be more surprises before the last is heard of the case.

GOODBYE CHINATOWN**Famous District of New York To Be
Displaced by a Park.**

New York, Feb. 9.—The heart of New York's Chinatown was officially wiped out yesterday, when the board of estimate authorized a new park on the plot, bounded by the Bowery, Doyers, Pell and Mott streets. Much of the property is owned by Chinese firms and individuals. The tract includes the Chinese theater and the Chinese joss house, in which most of the Chinese worship.

COMPANY APPEALS**Southwestern Traction Claims It Should
Not Pay for Loss of Horse.**

In the divisional court at Toronto yesterday, before Chief Justice Falconbridge and Justices Teetzel and Magee, the Southwestern Traction Company appealed from a judgment given against it in the county court of Elgin in the case of Gunning vs. the Traction Company. The suit was brought to recover damages for the loss of a horse killed by a trolley, the jury finding in favor of the plaintiff for the sum of \$175 and costs. Neglect of the defendant to protect its line with a fence was the ground of the action. The company is incorporated under the Ontario statutes, and are subject to the provisions of the Ontario railway act of 1906, which are not the same as in the Dominion act of 1903. Mr. T. H. Luscombe, of this city, represented the company, and Mr. W. K. Cameron, of St. Thomas, opened the appeal. Counsel for the plaintiff contended that under the Ontario act there was an absolute duty on the part of the company to fence its line. Judgment was reserved.

WOULD-BE CONSTABLES**Five Applications Considered—One
Dropped, Four Laid Over.**

A session of the adjourned court of sessions was held this morning in Judge Macbeth's private chambers, and the matter of adding to the county constabulary was discussed at length. High Constable Hughes, Crown Attorney McKillop, Warden James Hodgins, of the county council, and Judge Macbeth were in attendance.

Five applications from parties aspiring to the office of county constable were considered, and four of them were laid over for three weeks, while the fifth, that of George Downes, was refused.

One of the applications created much amusement. In it the applicant stated that he had held many high and important offices, including a school trusteeship and a township councilship, and that he had always polled the highest vote in his municipality. After noting that several of the applicants bore the signatures of certain members of the county council, including that of Warden Hodgins, his honor laughingly remarked that the warden must be kept busy signing such documents.

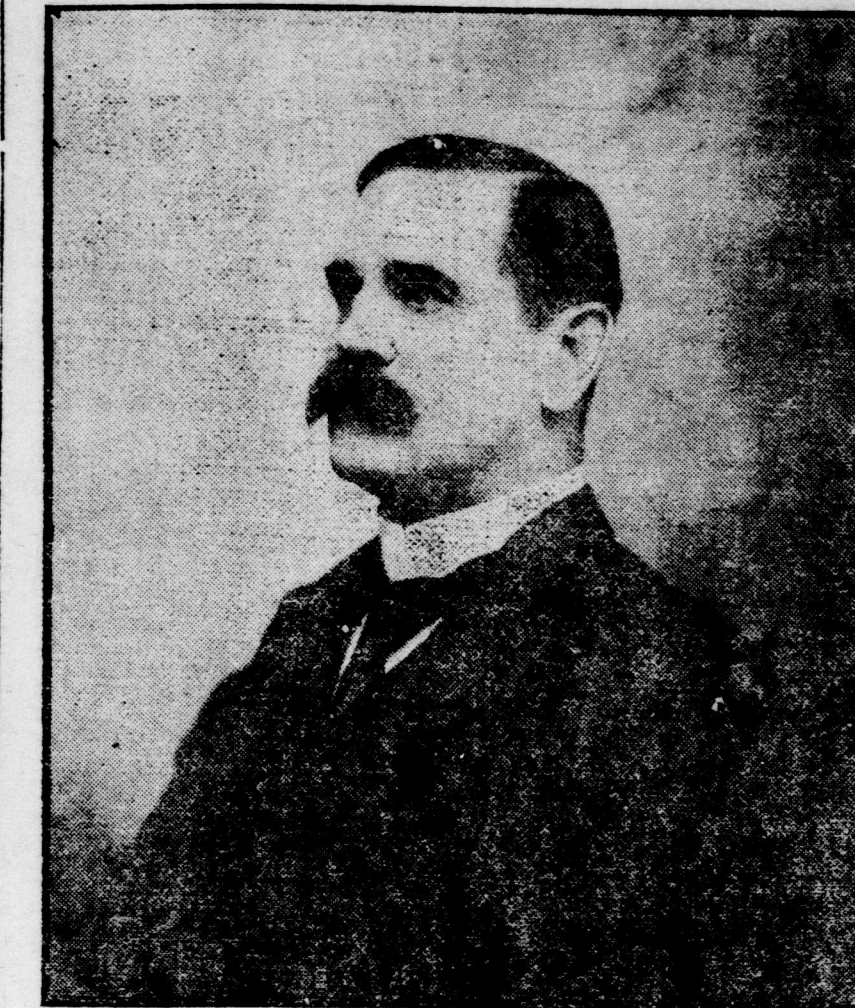
"Yes, your honor," replied Mr. Hodgins, "faith, they all cornered me, with the exception of one of them."

"He would hardly do for a constable," said Mr. McKillop. "A man who would let the county council warden slip through his hands would hardly be dependable."

And everybody smiled.

NOT LIKE THE OLD MAN.

Kansas City, Mo., Feb. 9.—Jesse James, son of the famous bandit, who was himself tried and acquitted on a charge of train robbery several years ago, appeared last night as counsel for the defense in the trial of Albert M. Crone, charged with the murder of the former sweetheart, Bertha Bowlin. James stated that it was his maiden speech. His plea was argumentative, and he made no effort to be oratorical. A verdict is expected today.



THE HON. C. S. HYMAN.
Who, at the Premier's Request, Has Withdrawn His Resignation as Minister of Public Works, and Expects Soon To Be Back in Harness.

**SENT TO CENTRAL
FOR NINE MONTHS****Seymour Karn Who Pleaded
Guilty to Stealing Wheat
Gets His Sentence.**

Seymour Karn, of this city, who had pleaded guilty to stealing sixteen bags of grain from the farm of Joseph Cassidy, of Byron, was sentenced by Judge Elliott this morning to serve nine months in the Central Prison. In passing sentence, his honor said that, while the offense was Karn's first one, and the value of the property stolen was small—being about \$25—the crime was a very deliberate one, and one deserving of a heavy sentence.

"You deliberately went out and hired a wagon for the purpose of carrying away that honest man's produce," said his honor, "and I consider that such a theft is a particularly despicable one, inasmuch as a farmer is unable to keep his farm products protected at all times."

E. W. M. Flock appeared for the prisoner, and pleaded strongly for leniency in the passing of sentence. When asked if he had anything to say on his own behalf, Karn asked that his honor be lenient with him, as it was his first offense, and he intended in the future to lead an honest, upright life.

"RED" HEADQUARTERS RAID**Russian Police Swoop on Female Ter-
rorist Band at Moscow.**

Moscow, Feb. 9.—The headquarters of the flying group of Terrorists, from whose agents were sent out to execute death sentences imposed on General Count Ignatieff, a member of the council of the empire, Lieut.-Gen. Pavloff, procurator-general, Major-Gen. Von Der Launitz, prefect of police of St. Petersburg, and S. A. Alexandroff, has been raided by the Moscow Female University. The police searched the University buildings, and many nearby tenements, and arrested eight girls students, and a number of men, but the leaders have thus far escaped. A number of bombs and 60 pounds of pyroxylin were seized at the university.

THE WEATHER.**TOMORROW—MILD.**

Toronto, Feb. 8-9 p.m. Local snowfalls have occurred in Southern New Brunswick and Northern Ontario today for the most part the weather has been fair throughout the Dominion. Mild conditions now prevail in the Western Provinces and are spreading eastward. Minimum and maximum temperatures: Calgary, 22-48; Edmonton, 34-42; Qu'Appelle, 18-38; Winnipeg, zero-28; Port Arthur, zero-22; Parry Sound, 12-26; Toronto, 14-26; Ottawa, 6-22; Montreal, 9-29; Quebec, 4-18; St. John, 4-26; Halifax, 2 below-24.

FORECASTS.

Saturday, Feb. 9-8 a.m.

Today—Southwesterly winds; cloudy, with a few snow flurries.

Sunday—Westerly winds and comparatively mild.

TEMPERATURES.

Stations. 8 a.m. Min. Weather.

Calgary 25 34 Clear

Winnipeg 16 24 Clear

Port Arthur 12 22 Cloudy

Parry Sound 18 24 Cloudy

Toronto 18 24 Cloudy

Ottawa 10 4 Cloudy

Montreal 6 6 Fair

Quebec 6 6 Fair

Father Point 10 6 Snow

The first column in the above table records the temperatures at 8 o'clock this morning, and the second column the minimum temperatures during the 24 hours previous.

WEATHER NOTES.

The weather is quite mild in the Western Provinces, with no indication of a change to cold. A storm of considerable energy is moving northeastward off the Atlantic coast.

LOCAL TEMPERATURES.

The highest and lowest readings of the thermometer at the local observatory for the 24 hours ended at 8 p.m. Friday were: Highest, 27° above; lowest, 3.5° below zero.

**YOUNG LIBERALS
HAD MERRY TIME****Concert at Hyman Hall Drew an
Immense Crowd, Who Enjoyed
Varied Programme.**

The most successful smoker yet given under the auspices of the Young Liberal Club was held last night in Hyman Hall, when fully five hundred were entertained. It was a splendid affair and the large crowd was most enthusiastic. The evening was very informal, every person going in for a good time and having it.

The early part of the programme consisted of cards, the whole auditorium being taken up with players. Downstairs, another large crowd watched the bowling games or the billiard contests. When the musical programme began the auditorium was taxed to the limit. The programme was lengthy, but of excellent quality. Songs were given in splendid style by Messrs. C. Swift, Harry Carson and Charles Martin, all vocalists of much promise.

Dances were given by Mr. R. Rowan and Mr. M. Delaney, and fine instrumental solos were given by Mr. W. R. Robinson and Mr. H. F. Land. Court played a cornet solo in his usual good style, and Archie Black gave a fine monologue. Mr. James Parks entertained the audience with his splendid phonograph.

Speeches were made by Mr. Art Sippl, president of the Young Liberal Club, and Mr. J. H. Fowler. There was a great ovation when the name of Hon. C. S. Hyman was mentioned in connection with the possibility of an election in the near future. The Young Liberals are ready and confident, feeling assured that the Minister of Public Works will be returned as member for London with a large majority.

The committee responsible for the splendid evening were: Messrs. Archie Black (chairman), Vic Brock, Percy Stone, Garnet Arthurs, Sam Stewart, James McCormick and Frank Millson.

The Bowling Game.

The bowling matches in the Young Liberal Club series are creating not a little interest, large crowds of fans following every game. Last night two teams from ward 5 lined up and had a merry time. Team No. 3 bowled the better, and had a margin of 36 pins. This majority was due to Dr. Cunningham, who bowled well. He got high score with 258, and also best frame, 154. The scores were:

TEAM NUMBER TWO.

R. Brodinson 107 147 251
C. Young 120 122 242
John Fortner 108 105 213
R. Wright 106 110 216
J. Ferguson 114 61 175

TEAM NUMBER THREE.

A. Wanless 123 89 212
A. E. Cowley 95 114 209
W. Allister 88 93 181
Dr. Cunningham 139 159 298
C. Wicket 83 149 232

EXCLUDE NEGRO SAILORS.

Rio de Janeiro, Feb. 9.—The Brazilian Government has decided, in order to avoid possible disagreeable incidents, to exclude negro sailors from the Brazilian squadron which is to visit the United States. The opposition newspapers attack the Government for this step.

A BOLD BANDIT.

Pernambuco, Brazil, Feb. 9.—Silvino, the notorious bandit, in spite of his being pursued by the authorities, is still committing outrages in this state. He has notified the tax collector of the village of Gravata that henceforth half of the taxes taken in, must be reserved for him. The bandit's pursuers are pressing him hard.

WATCH FOR QUAKE

London, Feb. 8.—Hugh Clements, the meteorologist, announced this morning that the tidal positions tomorrow will correspond to those which caused the earthquakes in Illinois and New Hampshire, on Feb. 4, 1883.

"Tomorrow the waves will pass through Carinthia and the Jura Mountains. It will also make itself felt near Belfast, Ireland, and will then pass on to Maine and Ontario, quitting on the west coast of the American continent about 10 o'clock in the evening.

"What, if any, serious effects will be caused by this impulse depend, first, upon obstructions, and, secondly, upon the presence of cities or damageable property in proximity to such obstructions."

NO SEPARATION**But Self-Government Would Bring Con-
tentment to Ireland.**

London, Feb. 9.—Mr. Lloyd George, speaking last night at Belfast, said the separation of Ireland and Britain was unthinkable and not at all debatable. Self-government, however, would strengthen the bonds of empire and bring contentment.

SIX FROZEN TO DEATH**Party of Manitoba Wood Choppers
Lost Near Darwin.**

Winnipeg, Feb. 9.—A report reached the city today to the effect that six wood choppers in the vicinity of Darwin, which is on the border between Manitoba and Ontario, were frozen to death a few days ago, having lost their way in the woods. Three of the men were Davis, Schulz and Graining. The first-named leaves relatives here. Nothing confirmatory can be learned.

TAKEN TO ENGLAND**Remains of Lady Grenfell Placed on
Empress of Britain.**

St. John, N. B., Feb. 9.—The steamer Empress of Britain sailed for Liverpool last night at 9 o'clock, via Halifax, with 450 passengers. She also carried the remains of Lady Grenfell. The funeral train arrived from Ottawa this afternoon at 3 o'clock and while the body was being carried aboard the crew of the Empress lined up with bowed heads. A special room for the remains has been fitted up and trimmed with evergreens.

PENNICOTT'S PENITENCE**Does Not Secure His Release From
the Lockup.**

This morning at the police court, John Pennicott appeared on an old charge of being drunk and disorderly, but was remanded until next Tuesday. As usual Pennicott put up a strong plea for leniency, making all manner of promises for good conduct in the future.

Frank Morley appeared on a charge of being drunk and was fined \$5 or 21 days, while two first-timers were allowed to go on the same charge.

Timothy Sullivan appeared on a charge of vagrancy, but was given another chance, sentence being suspended.

**WESTMOUNT CHURCH
CALLS MR. CLARK****Congregation of Montreal Suburb
Unanimously Invites Pastor
of London Church.**

Rev. W. J. Clark, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, has received a telegram from Montreal, informing him that the congregation of St. Andrew's Church at Westmount, a fashionable suburb of the Canadian metropolis, had extended a call to him.

The congregation of the Westmount Church met last night, and made the call unanimous.

Mr. Clark was asked today regarding his intentions, and he said he had not given the matter consideration. The call will have to go through the regular course, going before the Montreal Presbytery before reaching Mr. Clark.

BAD MEN TRAPPED.

Paris, Feb. 9.—The police have arrested the ringleaders of a gang of 50 criminals, who have terrorized the department of Pas-de-Calais and the Belgian frontier for two years, during which time they committed thousands of robberies and murders.

ASKS AID FOR STARVING.

Washington, Feb. 9.—Through the Russian embassy here, Secretary of State Galkine-Vrasskoi, for the Russian famine relief committee, has transmitted an appeal to the American people for financial assistance to the starving peasants, who number into the millions, because of the practically total failure of the crops in several provinces.

**LABOR OPPOSES
REGISTRATION ACT****Mr. Whitney's Revolutionary
Changes Opposed in House.****BACKWARD STEP, SAYS GRAHAM****Petitions Continue to Pour in Upon the
Government Asking Repeal of
the Three-Fifths Clause.**

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Toronto, Feb. 9.—A brief discussion on the merits and demerits of the manhood suffrage registration system took place in the House yesterday. Mr. Graham criticised the Premier's proposal to abolish the system in all municipalities except the cities, as a backward step. Registration should be extended instead of restricted. The Premier replied that the whole system was a nuisance, and was only retained in the cities as a necessary evil. He hoped to see it so improved as to eliminate its most serious defects. Mr. Studholme, the new labor member not only defended registration, but advocated compulsory voting and the extension of the franchise to women.

Wants It Discussed.

In moving the second reading of his bill to amend the manhood suffrage registration act, Hon. Mr. Whitney said its object was to repeal all those parts of the act that applied to municipalities other than cities. He desired that there should be full discussion of the measure, but he believed the consensus of opinion throughout the Province and in the House was favorable to the proposed legislation.

A Backward Step

Mr. Graham, leader of the Opposition, said that he spoke only for himself, and that he recognized the fact that there was a great diversity of opinion. The Premier's bill, he believed, was a move in the wrong direction. Registration should be extended, and not restricted. In the large towns there were many who moved from place to place, workmen, clerical men, bank clerks, etc., and without registration they would often be ineligible for the franchise. The Premier had said that the names of persons got their names on the list by means of registration. These names would get on by any system. Under the present act, it was possible to have a newer and fresher list at each election. The method was much more expensive than the old way of making up the lists. When the lists were made up by assessors, it frequently meant the introduction of politics into municipal affairs, a thing to be carefully avoided. Taken as a whole, revision took up so much time that many were forced to let their names stay off the list.

Calls It a Nuisance

In reply, the Premier said that he was willing to rest the question upon the force of public opinion. It might be that three or four might lose their votes because of leniency, but every man entitled to a vote should have it. The system of registration had been a greater nuisance than the election themselves.

Mr. Mackay asked why the system was retained in the cities. It was because of the large floating population. Even in the cities, he said, there were few who were enamored of the system. They regarded it as a necessary evil. Every care should be taken that every one entitled to a vote should have it, and it might be possible to improve the system so that any grievance would be remedied. The Province had no reason to be proud of the working of the system in the past. Officeholders and others had been guilty of shameless and reckless conduct in connection with registration.

Defended by Labor

Mr. Allan Studholme, East Hamilton's labor member, defended registration. He would make it compulsory before every election. It had been a failure. Continued on page nine.

DOES IT MEAN STRIKE?**Seven Hundred Montreal 'Phone Girls
Join Electrical Workers' Union.**

Montreal, Feb. 8.—Seven hundred telephone girls in this city have joined the Electrical Workers' Union, probably in preparation for a strike similar to the one in Toronto.

FAVOR THE LEGISLATION**M. P. P.'s Do Not Object to City Making
Street Watering Contracts.**

It is not expected that the city of London will experience any difficulty in securing legislation from the Ontario Government authorizing it to make a contract with the street railway company for watering the streets along which the lines of the company are laid.

City Clerk Baker has written to the members of the Legislature who represent cities or constituencies in which large towns are located, asking them if they could see their way clear to support such legislation, and every reply so far received is favorable. Premier Whitney, Hon. J. J. Foy and Hon. Frank Cochrane are among those who have sent replies.

The city may, however, be asked to reduce the period of the contract from five to ten years, some of the legislators having expressed the opinion that five years should be sufficient.