

\$2700 will buy 8 lots one half mile from P. O. on a corner.
E. H. CRANDELL
Rooms 1 and 2, Burns Block.

MORNING ALBERTAN

FOR
Coal, Wood, Ice
RING UP
R. C. THOMAS
Phone 20

CALGARY, SATURDAY JAN. 26, 1907

MANY CHANGES FOR POWER PROPOSITION

The Street Railway Proposition Will Probably be Eliminated From It.

COMPANY AGREE TO TAKE OVER CITY LIGHT PLANT

Will Keep It In Running Order and Use It As a Duplicate Plant.

The street railway proposition which is tagged on to this power scheme is practically out of commission. The company is not anxious for this part of the proposition and the city is not keen about it. That is practically one thing that was accomplished at the conference held last night.

The Alexander and Budd people made another concession which is an important one, agreeing to purchase the city's power plant, or to lease it, as the city desired, and in either case to keep it in running order to serve as a duplicate plant.

There were several other matters, however, which were not so favorable. Before the end of the evening the company was rather more content, even going almost to the length of the dictatorial, though everything passed off peacefully.

The question of prices was not very favorably adjusted. In fact the prices were not as satisfactory as the company led the public to suppose that they might be.

The length of the proposed franchise was also changed. The company proposed a 35 year term, giving the city power to purchase at the end of ten years, either the street railway power plant or both. Last night they agreed to a 25 year franchise without the purchase clause, and they would not come down a day on it.

Ald. McMillan presided at the meeting and there were present Messrs. Cameron, Mitchell, Manary, Watson, Groat, and the city solicitor, the city engineer, for the city, and Messrs. Budd, Alexander, Jones, Paradis and Thorold for the company.

The object of the meeting, it will be understood, was to get some additional details from this company, which will be submitted to the council on Monday next, referred to a

public meeting and then brought back to the council.

Ald. McMillan read out the different subjects upon which some consideration would be given. Before this, however, a telegram was read from Montreal signed by Manly & Co. that the money was behind the proposition all right as soon as the by-law was passed. Mr. Budd announced also that the board of trade had investigated and Mr. Rowley, the president, had received a very favorable report. The telegram did not intimate who were actually behind the scheme.

Mayor Cameron asked Mr. Budd plainly who were behind the scheme. Mr. Budd declined to answer at present. Mr. Jones said that between the first and second reading of the by-law the corporation would be prepared to make a statement.

"It is neither the C.P.R. nor the Eau Claire and Bow River Lumber company," added Mr. Jones.

Then to get things moving Mr. Jones opined that the company had made the offer, that it was now up to the city to accept or reject.

"If the city is to develop by itself it is up to the city to let the financial public know it. If it is to develop by its own money it will continue to be a one horse town."

The mayor pointed out to Mr. Jones that the object of the meeting was to get additional guarantees from the company regarding certain aspects of the case. They wanted to know something about guarantee service, bonds, and clauses and other things of that nature.

"We shall give such satisfactory terms that no one can object."

The first few items had reference almost entirely to the street railway part of the agreement. The city asked for an 80 pound, 7 inch girder rail. The company objected and refused to do so.

(Continued on Page Four.)

THAW CASE DRAGS ALONG

Three Days and Only Seven Jurymen Have Been Selected

New York, Jan. 25.—Fifty-one talesmen were examined in fast time today in the effort to complete the jury which is to try Harry K. Thaw for the killing of Stanford White, and at the end of today's session two names had been added to the jury roll, making seven in all. One hundred and ten talesmen have been thus far examined and five jurors remain to be chosen.

The work of going through the jury list was extremely tedious. Much damage was done by floods, but the provisions received are more than ample for the relief of the destitute and that no further funds are needed except for the re-building of the houses of the lower and middle classes.

Kingston, Jan. 25.—Governor Sweetnam has called to the secretary of state for the colonies that the provisions received are more than ample for the relief of the destitute and that no further funds are needed except for the re-building of the houses of the lower and middle classes.

TRADE ACTIVE THROUGHOUT CANADA

The Weekly Report of Trade in Dominion is Very Satisfactory

New York, Jan. 25.—R. G. Dun's weekly review of trade tomorrow will say: Lower temperature and less activity in the retail trade stimulated retail demand for seasonable merchandise but retarded the movement of freight. The distribution of heavy weight clothing, footwear and other winter goods was large this week reducing stocks that it was feared would be carried out on account of the mid season. Wholesale and jobbing trade in dry goods for spring delivery was also liberal. Much damage has been done by floods, but the provisions received are more than ample for the relief of the destitute and that no further funds are needed except for the re-building of the houses of the lower and middle classes.

MR. GRAHAM IS LEADER

Elected by Liberal Party to Succeed Hon. Mr. Ross

Toronto, Ont., Jan. 25.—Geo. P. Graham was this morning elected leader of the Liberal party in Ontario. Mr. Harcourt, T. H. Preston, and A. G. McKay were also nominated but withdrew, making the choice unanimous.

Kingston, Jan. 25.—The lack of co-operation on the part of the central control here is greatly hampering the work of extending relief providing shelter for the earthquake sufferers, pulling down the unsafe walls and repairing the damaged buildings for which Governor Sweetnam is severely condemned. The Daily Telegraph in addition today says:

"His excellency is still careening around the city poking his nose into every corner and attending to petty details which his subordinates ought to attend to. The result is that when prominent officials and other gentlemen in charge of important work call at headquarters house to consult him they cannot find the governor. There is a total absence of deliberate organized movement."

CRUSHING DEFEAT FOR SOCIALISTS

Use Many Seats in the Elections Held Yesterday in Germany.

THE GOVERNMENT SECURES A PRONOUNCED VICTORY

Large and Enthusiastic Crowds Celebrate With Much Noise the Results.

Berlin, Jan. 25.—The government has won a definite victory in the general elections held today for a new Reichstag. The Liberal, Radical and Conservative parties supporting Prince Von Buelow's colonial policy, have won at least twenty seats. But more important for the government than the success of its colonial plans is the crushing defeat of the Socialists who lost a total of seventeen or eighteen seats. This is the first election since 1887 that the Socialists have not increased their representation in the Reichstag by from five to twenty seats. They have lost especially in several large cities, among them Breslau, Halle, Magdeburg, Leipzig and Koenigsberg. The clerical centre holds nearly every one of its former one hundred seats.

There is a possibility, however, that re-balloting in the undecided districts may lose that party one or two more seats.

The Conservatives have won six seats, two of them from the Socialists. Re-balloting will probably be necessary in 175 constituencies so that complete returns will not be in before February 6th. Certain districts in upper Bavaria that are snowbound have not yet been heard from, but they are considered safe for the centre party.

Prince Von Buelow appeared and said:

"Gentlemen, I thank you for your homage, and I am especially delighted that your national feeling brought you here. My predecessor in office (Bismarck) before whom we all must respectfully bow, said forty years ago put the German people in the saddle, and it will ride soon enough."

"The German people has shown today that it can ride. I believe and hope every one will do his

duty also in the re-balloting. Then will Germany stand respected and mighty before the world. Let us then unite together in the cry, Long live Germany and the German nation. Hurrah."

The assembled multitude burst into an enthusiastic cheering and soon after set off for the imperial palace. On reaching the Castle bridge over the Spree, a strong body of police opposed it and forced it back with some violence. The people then formed in line again and marched down Unter Den Linden to the palace of the crown prince, Frederick Wilhelm, when they sang and cheered. The crown prince appeared upon a balcony of the palace and bowed repeatedly. The crowd then quietly dispersed.

Never before has Berlin known such election enthusiasm or such noisy demonstrations and crowds. The Emperor's picture, however, was missed when it was flashed upon a transparency in front of the office of the Lokai Anzeiger. These hisses were lost in the volume of cheering.

Not a single incident of a disorderly character has been reported from any of the polls.

Berlin, Jan. 25.—Emperor William received the election returns at the palace from the Wolff bureau, the principal news agency in Germany. The first bulletin came in at 8.30 this evening. It was dated Altona and said: "Frederick Socialist, elected by a great majority." This same bulletin was spread upon all the bulletin boards in Berlin and was taken to houses of Socialists.

This inference, however, was quickly reversed by a rapid succession of despatches announcing Socialist losses in their own cities.

The Radicals and National Liberals are increasing their vote generally throughout the country.

The street railway proposition which is tagged on to this power scheme is practically out of commission. The company is not anxious for this part of the proposition and the city is not keen about it. That is practically one thing that was accomplished at the conference held last night.

The Alexander and Budd people made another concession which is an important one, agreeing to purchase the city's power plant, or to lease it, as the city desired, and in either case to keep it in running order to serve as a duplicate plant.

There were several other matters, however, which were not so favorable. Before the end of the evening the company was rather more content, even going almost to the length of the dictatorial, though everything passed off peacefully.

The question of prices was not very favorably adjusted. In fact the prices were not as satisfactory as the company led the public to suppose that they might be.

The length of the proposed franchise was also changed. The company proposed a 35 year term, giving the city power to purchase at the end of ten years, either the street railway power plant or both. Last night they agreed to a 25 year franchise without the purchase clause, and they would not come down a day on it.

Ald. McMillan presided at the meeting and there were present Messrs. Cameron, Mitchell, Manary, Watson, Groat, and the city solicitor, the city engineer, for the city, and Messrs. Budd, Alexander, Jones, Paradis and Thorold for the company.

The object of the meeting, it will be understood, was to get some additional details from this company, which will be submitted to the council on Monday next, referred to a

public meeting and then brought back to the council.

Ald. McMillan read out the different subjects upon which some consideration would be given. Before this, however, a telegram was read from Montreal signed by Manly & Co. that the money was behind the proposition all right as soon as the by-law was passed. Mr. Budd announced also that the board of trade had investigated and Mr. Rowley, the president, had received a very favorable report. The telegram did not intimate who were actually behind the scheme.

Mayor Cameron asked Mr. Budd plainly who were behind the scheme. Mr. Budd declined to answer at present. Mr. Jones said that between the first and second reading of the by-law the corporation would be prepared to make a statement.

"It is neither the C.P.R. nor the Eau Claire and Bow River Lumber company," added Mr. Jones.

Then to get things moving Mr. Jones opined that the company had made the offer, that it was now up to the city to accept or reject.

"If the city is to develop by itself it is up to the city to let the financial public know it. If it is to develop by its own money it will continue to be a one horse town."

The mayor pointed out to Mr. Jones that the object of the meeting was to get additional guarantees from the company regarding certain aspects of the case. They wanted to know something about guarantee service, bonds, and clauses and other things of that nature.

"We shall give such satisfactory terms that no one can object."

The first few items had reference almost entirely to the street railway part of the agreement. The city asked for an 80 pound, 7 inch girder rail. The company objected and refused to do so.

(Continued on Page Four.)

MCCURDY CASE IS UP AGAIN

Suits for Recovery of Money Wrongfully Expended

New York, Jan. 25.—Arguments were heard and decisions were rendered by the supreme court today in five cases brought by the Mutual Life Insurance Company against ex-President Richard A. McCurdy and others to recover funds alleged to have been wrongfully expended by officials of the company.

Joseph H. Choate appeared for the company and Delancy Nichol for the defendants. They were substantially the same and were jointly argued. In three of the cases Richard A. McCurdy is alone named defendant, being charged with having illegally expended an aggregate of \$370,000.

The specific object of one of those suits is to recover amounts contributed it is alleged at McCurdy's direction to political campaign committees. The fourth suit directed against Robert A. Grannis, a vice president of the company to recover \$200,000 alleged to have been improperly expended, and the fifth is against Chas. H. Raymond, Louis A. Thebaud and Richard A. McCurdy. Raymond and Thebaud were general agents endeavoring to secure the name of Chas. A. Raymond & Co. From 1893 to 1904 they received \$1,399,905 from the company as commissions, of which that not less than \$500,000 of this was without consideration.

FOOD IS PLENTIFUL IN KINGSTON NOW

No Further Funds are Needed Now with the Exception of Money for Building

Kingston, Jan. 25.—Governor Sweetnam has called to the secretary of state for the colonies that the provisions received are more than ample for the relief of the destitute and that no further funds are needed except for the re-building of the houses of the lower and middle classes.

A ROAST FOR GOVERNOR

Sweetnam it is Charged is Attending too Much to Details

Kingston, Jan. 25.—The lack of co-operation on the part of the central control here is greatly hampering the work of extending relief providing shelter for the earthquake sufferers, pulling down the unsafe walls and repairing the damaged buildings for which Governor Sweetnam is severely condemned. The Daily Telegraph in addition today says:

"His excellency is still careening around the city poking his nose into every corner and attending to petty details which his subordinates ought to attend to. The result is that when prominent officials and other gentlemen in charge of important work call at headquarters house to consult him they cannot find the governor. There is a total absence of deliberate organized movement."

CRUSHING DEFEAT FOR SOCIALISTS

Berlin, Jan. 25.—The government has won a definite victory in the general elections held today for a new Reichstag. The Liberal, Radical and Conservative parties supporting Prince Von Buelow's colonial policy, have won at least twenty seats. But more important for the government than the success of its colonial plans is the crushing defeat of the Socialists who lost a total of seventeen or eighteen seats. This is the first election since 1887 that the Socialists have not increased their representation in the Reichstag by from five to twenty seats. They have lost especially in several large cities, among them Breslau, Halle, Magdeburg, Leipzig and Koenigsberg. The clerical centre holds nearly every one of its former one hundred seats.

There is a possibility, however, that re-balloting in the undecided districts may lose that party one or two more seats.

The Conservatives have won six seats, two of them from the Socialists. Re-balloting will probably be necessary in 175 constituencies so that complete returns will not be in before February 6th. Certain districts in upper Bavaria that are snowbound have not yet been heard from, but they are considered safe for the centre party.

Prince Von Buelow appeared and said:

"Gentlemen, I thank you for your homage, and I am especially delighted that your national feeling brought you here. My predecessor in office (Bismarck) before whom we all must respectfully bow, said forty years ago put the German people in the saddle, and it will ride soon enough."

"The German people has shown today that it can ride. I believe and hope every one will do his

THE GOVERNMENT SECURES A PRONOUNCED VICTORY

Large and Enthusiastic Crowds Celebrate With Much Noise the Results.

Berlin, Jan. 25.—The government has won a definite victory in the general elections held today for a new Reichstag. The Liberal, Radical and Conservative parties supporting Prince Von Buelow's colonial policy, have won at least twenty seats. But more important for the government than the success of its colonial plans is the crushing defeat of the Socialists who lost a total of seventeen or eighteen seats. This is the first election since 1887 that the Socialists have not increased their representation in the Reichstag by from five to twenty seats. They have lost especially in several large cities, among them Breslau, Halle, Magdeburg, Leipzig and Koenigsberg. The clerical centre holds nearly every one of its former one hundred seats.

There is a possibility, however, that re-balloting in the undecided districts may lose that party one or two more seats.

The Conservatives have won six seats, two of them from the Socialists. Re-balloting will probably be necessary in 175 constituencies so that complete returns will not be in before February 6th. Certain districts in upper Bavaria that are snowbound have not yet been heard from, but they are considered safe for the centre party.

Prince Von Buelow appeared and said:

"Gentlemen, I thank you for your homage, and I am especially delighted that your national feeling brought you here. My predecessor in office (Bismarck) before whom we all must respectfully bow, said forty years ago put the German people in the saddle, and it will ride soon enough."

"The German people has shown today that it can ride. I believe and hope every one will do his

TORONTO WANTS WINNEPEG ENGINEER

The Salary Offered Said to be \$10,000

Toronto, Jan. 25.—A proposition is on foot to make Cecil B. Smith of the Electric Power Commission, Toronto, to supplant Mr. Rust who will be retained to do detail business. The salary suggested is \$10,000.

WINE, WOMEN AND A MURDER

A Seaman Killed by a Jealous Rival in Alaska

Vancouver, Jan. 25.—A night with wine, women and song ended fatally for a seaman named Jack Leavers at Ketchikan, according to news brought down from the north by the steamer Amur. The murderer, Andrew Maringo, is in custody.

It was Ketchikan's first murder and the cause of it was jealousy of Esther Mitchell, a woman of the underworld. Jack Leavers and Maringo were so ardent in their desire for the woman's smiles that deep hatred took the place of the friendship that used to exist between them. The three persons concerned had been drinking nearly all night. The men got into a dispute over the woman, but she succeeded in patching up the quarrel. Then Maringo started to leave the saloon. He called to Leavers to go with him and as the latter turned to do so Maringo fired five shots into his body.

CHANGES IN C. P. R. TELEGRAPHS

Winnipeg, Jan. 25.—W. Rutherford, chief operator, has been appointed manager of C. P. R. telegraphs, succeeding J. W. Baker, elected to civic board of control.

PERJURY THE CHARGE AGAINST INSURANCE MEN

Former President of the Washington Company is Now in the Court

Washington, Jan. 25.—Furner U. S. Senator Faulkner of West Virginia, testifying today before the house committee on ways and means regarding charges by Professor H. E. Elliott of Cleveland against the North American Commercial company, which holds sealing privileges in Alaska, denied that the company had suborned United States officials. He stated that great injustice had been done Herbert Pierce, United States lawyer for representing their interests before the Hague tribunal when their claim against Russia for the seizure of the vessel were heard.

CANAL CONTRACT WAS AWARDED

Proposed to Construct Canal for 67.5 of the Estimated Cost

Washington, Jan. 25.—A White House conference over the bids for the construction of the Panama canal resulted this evening in the elimination of Anson A. Bangs of New York city as a bidder, and a conditional decision to award the contract to Wm. J. Oliver of Knoxville, Tenn. Oliver and Bangs had bid together and their bid was the lowest. Messrs. Oliver and Bangs proposed to complete the construction of the Panama canal for 47.5 per cent. of the total estimate cost.

Mr. Bangs is the contractor for the Soo canal lock. He is president of the Federal Construction Co. of New York city, which is capitalized at \$2,000,000. The board of directors of that company consists of Anson A. Bangs, John F. Donovan and James Hughes. Mr. Bangs is a brother-in-law of John F. Gaylor of the Panama Canal Co. He was implicated with Captain G. M. Carter in the Savannah, Ga., harbor engineer fraud cases. This fact, however, it is stated, did not influence the canal commissioners in rejecting him as joint contractor with Mr. Oliver.

CALGARY DOCTORS DINE TOGETHER

Very Pleasant Function Held Last Night

The annual banquet of the Calgary Medical Association took place last night at the Palmist Cafe. Every practitioner in the city was present but four. These latter gentlemen were unavoidably absent. It was a most successful function and indicated the friendly relations that exist between the medical men in the city, and the mutual confidence that prevails among them. It also was a great tribute to the successful work being done by the association in advancing and preserving the best interests of the profession.

Such a gathering is an assurance to the public that the members of the profession in the city can meet together at all times in a spirit of amity and confidence in consultation or otherwise to the great benefit and advantage of their patients.

WHOLESALE ROBBERS TO BE REFORMED

And on Account of Their Reformation the Authorities Decided to Pardon Them

Vancouver, Jan. 25.—Dawson advices per steamer Amur state that For Wollan and Nick Hanson, who were convicted two years ago of wholesale robbery of cabins on the hillsides back of Dawson, have been pardoned by the secretary of state after serving two years out of three they were sentenced to. Their conduct had been most exemplary and as the men had no previous criminal record it was decided to give them their liberty.

Wrapped in drunken slumber, lying in the snow with the mercury toying with 40 degrees below zero, four Indians would have frozen to death but that they happened to fall asleep near the Tantalus, Yukon, mounted police barracks. A white man named Myers gave the Indians four bottles of whisky for half a dozen lynx skins. The Indians hit the booze so frequently that the snow looked as comfortable to them as a genuine old fur poster with standard quilts. A policeman chanced along just as they were in danger of going into the last big sleep that ends in the happy hunting grounds. He gathered in the Indians and the latter as exhibits A and B. Myers pleaded guilty to the charge of supplying the whisky and was fined \$100 and costs.

On account of the remarkable disease which has carried off the rabbits of the north, fur dealers and trappers report that the fur catch this winter will not be so heavy as that of a year ago. Especially is this true of lynx, which are poor this year on account of the lack of rabbit food. Foxes and martens, which do not indulge in rabbit to a great extent, will be in fair number. It is expected prices will be about the same as last year, when they were remarkably good, owing to the increasing use of fur by the fair sex of the continent in these good times.

BLACKMAIL WAS CAUSE OF CRIME

Young Man who Killed Whiteley was Wounded by Rayner

London, Jan. 25.—The only likely explanation of Whiteley case is that it was one of attempted blackmail. It now appears that Rayner's father and William Whiteley were once intimate friends. The two men had a serious quarrel. Rayner threatened Whiteley with an action of libel in connection with an accusation brought against a young woman. The case, however, never came before the courts.

SMALLPOX JOINS HANDS WITH FAMINE

No Relief in Sight in the Famined Stricken Districts in China

Washington, Jan. 25.—The Red Cross regards the famine in China as the gravest problem with which it has to deal at present. Cable reports say that the company being forcibly driven back into the famine district, where smallpox is spreading its terrors. No relief is in sight until the harvest of next year's crop in June, and there is no seed wheat available for planting. The Red Cross is endeavoring to supply through volunteers contributions and response to the appeal for help has not been encouraging.

Gas Killed Two Boys

New York, Jan. 25.—Two boys were killed by illuminating gas in their home in Jersey City today and a man who occupied a room in the same house was overcome and may not recover. The boys who lost their lives are Thomas Meincke, aged 17, and his brother William, aged 12. John Kusel, the boarder, turned the gas on when he retired last night and it is believed that the flame was extinguished when the pressure was stopped during the night and when it was reopened the room was flooded with deadly vapor.

HARD BLOW FOR THE OLD MASTERS

Decide that Van Dyke, Rubens and Others are Indecent

Omaha, Neb., Jan. 25.—The Omaha board of censors has decided that paintings by old masters such as Van Dyke, Rubens and Vanderwerf are indecent and the reproductions of them cannot be sold in Omaha stores.

Middletown, N.Y., Jan. 25.—Four earth tremors distinct and severe enough to cause buildings to tremble and to startle the occupants, were felt in this city and vicinity today. Reports indicate that the tremors were perceptible at many points within a radius of 15 miles.

C. P. R. ASKS FOR THE DETAILS

Declines to Accept Statement of the North West Farmers

Winnipeg, Jan. 25.—Before the Royal Grain Commission charges were made that C.P.R. trainmen had received bribes for placing cars. Upon publication of reports, Mr. G. J. Bury, general superintendent wired to Mr. John Miller, chairman of the commission.

"Have read several reports in the newspapers of evidence alleged to have been given before your honorable body by witnesses who have been paid out to railway employees to secure cars. If any proof can be furnished that money has been extorted or even receipted in of gratuity for the placing of cars, the party who received the money will be removed from our service at once. In fairness to the railway company, and to the large body of trainmen employed by us, the overwhelming majority of whom are good citizens of this country, I submit that witnesses should not be permitted to play without furnishing their names, dates and all particulars. Respectfully request that you insist on witnesses giving such information as they may have in their possession in substantiation of any charges they may make with respect to the alleged extortion."

Ottawa, Jan. 25.—Application will be made at the present session for an act to incorporate a company to build a line railway from a point on the northern boundary in British Columbia to Dawson city by way of Yukon river valley or other feasible route.

McBride Admits the Green Bribery

But Maintains that the Transaction Was a Personal Affair

Vancouver, Jan. 25.—Mr. T. Carter Cotton when approached by an Albertan representative with regard to the admission of McBride that Green had accepted the Caron shares but that it was a purely personal transaction, retired behind his massive bulk of his oath of office, and again refused to discuss the affairs in detail.

"I have not yet read the despatch in which McBride is said to have admitted that Green received those shares. You must remember, however that Green is no longer a mem-

ENGINEERS OBJECT TO TAIT'S AUTHORITY

Washington, Jan. 25.—The army engineers have advised Secretary Taft that he has no authority to grant the application of the sanitary board of Chicago for permission to reverse the flow of the Calumet river in that city and at a current through that drainage canal and so into the Mississippi river. "Possibly," said Mr. Cotton, "possibly it is, but then I fall to see how this can be regarded as anything else than a personal matter between McBride and Green. With their explanations I have nothing further to do. My oath of office prevents further discussion."

NO MEMBER FOR ONE RIDING

Toronto, Jan. 25.—Port Arthur and Rainy River has no representation in the legislature this session. For the past two sessions, H. W. Kennedy, Liberal, has been barred from seat for that riding. Meanwhile W. A. Preston, Conservative candidate, who was declared defeated by fifteen votes, pursued his successful antagonist through courts. Early this month Judges Anglin and Tettell declared that Preston should have been returned as member and that his majority 15.

Now Preston was prepared to step into his seat when Kennedy made a deposit of one hundred dollars with the registrar of the court of appeal and gave notice that he would appeal from judgment of Judges Tettell and Anglin.

As a result Kennedy is declared out and Preston is not allowed legally to take his seat.

The riding of Port and Rainy River is disfranchised.

Fire in Brampton

Brampton, Jan. 25.—The most stubborn fire here for some years broke out in the planing mill of the Irvine Lumber & Fuel Company. The adjoining room was used as a drying kiln and was filled with lumber. A three storey building of the Canada Shoe Company adjoins the room in which the fire started. Firemen succeeded in saving the shoe factory, although considerable damage was done. The shoe factory was completely destroyed with a large quantity of lumber.

The loss is heavy and only partly covered by insurance.

Liberal Members Object to Bounties

Complain that no Effort is Being Made to Develop Canadian Ore

Ottawa, Jan. 25.—There was a government caucus today when the bounties of iron were discussed.

The position taken by some of the members of Ontario who brought the matter up was that no effort was being made to develop Canadian ore. Just what was best to be done under the circumstances was a question for the government to work out. There should be, in their opinion, more encouragement for Canadian ore. At present there was no development. The present bounties and tariff did not seem to meet the difficulty.

Some representatives of the agriculturalists came out in support of the bounties. There is not likely to be any change from that already presented to parliament.

McBride Admits the Green Bribery

But Maintains that the Transaction Was a Personal Affair

Vancouver, Jan. 25.—Mr. T. Carter Cotton when approached by an Albertan representative with regard to the admission of McBride that Green had accepted the Caron shares but that it was a purely personal transaction, retired behind his massive bulk of his oath of office, and again refused to discuss the affairs in detail.

"I have not yet read the despatch in which McBride is said to have admitted that Green received those shares. You must remember, however that Green is no longer a mem-

WHOLESALE ROBBERS TO BE REFORMED

And on Account of Their Reformation the Authorities Decided to Pardon Them

Vancouver, Jan. 25.—Dawson advices per steamer Amur state that For Wollan and Nick Hanson, who were convicted two years ago of wholesale robbery of cabins on the hillsides back of Dawson, have been pardoned by the secretary of state after serving two years out of three they were sentenced to. Their conduct had been most exemplary and as the men had no previous criminal record it was decided to give them their liberty.

Wrapped in drunken slumber, lying in the snow with the mercury toying with 40 degrees below zero, four Indians would have frozen to death but that they happened to fall asleep near the Tantalus, Yukon, mounted police barracks. A white man named Myers gave the Indians four bottles of whisky for half a dozen lynx skins. The Indians hit the booze so frequently that the snow looked as comfortable to them as a genuine old fur poster with standard quilts. A policeman chanced along just as they were in danger of going into the last big sleep that ends in the happy hunting grounds. He gathered in the Indians and the latter as exhibits A and B. Myers pleaded guilty to the charge of supplying the whisky and was fined \$100 and costs.

On account of the remarkable disease which has carried off the rabbits of the north, fur dealers and trappers report that the fur catch this winter will not be so heavy as that of a year ago. Especially is this true of lynx, which are poor this year on account of the lack of rabbit food. Foxes and martens, which do not indulge in rabbit to a great extent, will be in fair number. It is expected prices will be about the same as last year, when they were remarkably good, owing to the increasing use of fur by the fair sex of the continent in these good times.

McBride Admits the Green Bribery

But Maintains that the Transaction Was a Personal Affair

Vancouver, Jan. 25.—Mr. T. Carter Cotton when approached by an Albertan representative with regard to the admission of McBride that Green had accepted the Caron shares but that it was a purely personal transaction, retired behind his massive bulk of his oath of office, and again refused to discuss the affairs in detail.

"I have not yet read the despatch in which McBride is said to have admitted that Green received those shares. You must remember, however that Green is no longer a mem-

ENGINEERS OBJECT TO TAIT'S AUTHORITY

Washington, Jan. 25.—The army engineers have advised Secretary Taft that he has no authority to grant the application of the sanitary board of Chicago for permission to reverse the flow of the Calumet river in that city and at a current through that drainage canal and so into the Mississippi river. "Possibly," said Mr. Cotton, "possibly it is, but then I fall to see how this can be regarded as anything else than a personal matter between McBride and Green. With their explanations I have nothing further to do. My oath of office prevents further discussion."

E. Cochrane M. P. is Sick

Toronto, Jan. 24.—E. Cochrane, M.P. for Northumberland, has not been well for some time. He was taken to the hospital today to undergo an operation for stomach troubles.

Winnipeg, Jan. 25.—It is announced that Mr. R. Marpole at present superintendent of the Pacific division of the Canadian Pacific Railway, has been given an executive position with headquarters at Vancouver.

These suits early spring
\$7
\$8.50
\$9.50
\$11
\$13
\$14
\$16
\$18
\$20
\$25
\$30
\$35
\$40
\$45
\$50
\$55
\$60
\$65
\$70
\$75
\$80
\$85
\$90
\$95
\$100