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WAS POWER SCHEME

Designed by Whitney to Encompass Ruin of **Electrical Development Co?**

Some Facts in the History of the Hydro-Electric Scheme, Which Might Fit in With the Theory That Its Principal Purpose Was to Damage the Investment of Men He Regarded as Political Opponents.

(Toronto News.)

(Toronto News.) The negotiations between the Develop-ment Company and the Hydro-Electric Commission extended from July, 1906, to October, 1907, a period of fifteen months. During this time the range al-tewed to the company was gradually re-stricted by a series of stipulations until multiply the company rejected the Govern-ment's offer. — On April 1, 1907, Mr. Frederic Nicholls worde Ar. Beck, submitting terms for the supply of power to the Commission a flat rate on a peak load basis. — The rate up to 25,000 horse power was to be \$12 a horse power per annum, any power in excess of this to be at \$10 per horse power in blocks of 10,000 horse per and be renewable for a further term of ten years on one year's previous term of ten years on one year's previous

It is said that the Development Com-pany expected that this offer would be accepted, or at least that a contract would not be made with any rival inter-est until a further opportunity for a conference with representatives of the company was afforded. Mr. Nicholls went to England expecting that he would be able to notify British bond-holders that a working arrangement had been concluded with the Ontario Gov-ernment. While there, however, and without further conference with the De-velopment Company, a contract at §10.40

lopment Company, a contract at \$10.40 orse power was concluded with the io Power Company. This dealing the Electrical Development Comwith pany seriously Affected Its Credit.

in Great Britain, and the Government was so impressed by the representations made on behalf of British bondholders That later it was proposed to divide the Province into two parts, one of which was to be assigned to the Ontario Power Company and the other to the Electrical Decolonment Compile

Company and the other to the Electrical Development Company. The information was not given, how-ever, until September last, when it was announced that in the part of the Pro-vince lying east of the easterly limit of the city of Hamilton the Electrical De-velopment Company was to supply power velopment Company was to supply power to the Commission, while the Oftario Power Company would have all the rest of the Province. A minimum of 8,000 of the Province. A minimum of 8,000 horse power was to be taken from the Ontario Power Company, while the min-imum from the Electrical Development Company was 2,000 Company was 2,000.

A clause was inserted giving the Gov-ernment the right "to forfeit the whole plant of the company, and take it over from the company" in case, in the opin-ion of arbitrators, there was "continu-ous neglect in the service."

Cut Off Western Ontario.

Two further restrictions were added within the next week. On Sept. 26 the Electrical Development

Company was prevented from competing with the Government, that is, from oper-ating in the territory allotted to the On-tario Power Company. This cut off the whole of Western On-

tario. The same day the Development Com-

CHOSE OFFICERS.

ROYAL TEMPLARS' ELECTION AND INSTALLATION

Extension of Work Among Young People the Subject of Committee's ommendation-Large Sum Subscribed for Propaganda.

Toronto, Feb. 21 .- The election of officers of the Grand Council, Royal Templars of Temperance, yesterday resulted in the following being chosen for the ensuing year, the installation being afterwards conducted by Dominbeing anterwals contexts of the second of the second process of the second proces process of the second pro ion Past Councillor Frank Buchanan Sound: G. Sentinel, J. R. Chester, Glenwood. Various means were recommended for the extension of the junior work of the order, strengthening weak Coun-cils, establishing new ones, and en-deavoring in every possible way to se-cure the adherence of young people to the temperance cause, to secure signa-tures to the triple pledge against liquor, tobacco and protanity. Where no Junior Council exists, the Select Council is urged to hold open meet ing, special y for juniors. A special appeal to the members present as representing their Select A special appeal to the members present as representing their Select Councils to subscribe towards increas-ing the fund for propagation of the work at the disposal of the Grand Council, resulted, though purely vol-untary, in obtaining in a few minutes untary, in obtaining in a few minutes "Everybody Cheer Up" was a motto conspicuously displayed all around the room when the meetings were held, and yesterday someone added to it "Everybody Has Cheered Up." This was indeed a characteristic of the convention, the feeling being gen-eral that the next year will witnas a great increase in mubership. The Grand Council for Ontario will hold its meeting next year in Toronto

This was the last straw, and the Development Company declined the propo-sals on Oct. 4, 1907. In also letter to Mr. Beck, the general manager, Mr. H. H. Macrae, drew at-tention to the following points: I. In the original franchise which the

company received from the Ontario Gov-ernment, and which was ratified by the present Government in 1905, it was agreed that the Government would not agreed that the Government would not compete with the company in the gen-eration, for sale, of Niagara power, and it was now violating this agreement. 2. The company, in accepting the of-fer, would be shut off from selling in any other part of Ontario except To-ronto; would be forced to seek a mar-ket in the United States; forced to ab-andon the right-of-way it had purchased to Brantford; forced.to give up the idea of establishing factories on the 850 of stabilisting factories on the 850 teres it had bought within three miles of the Falls; forced to give up the uture business of selling power to elec-ric railways in Western Ontario; and

put in a position where it would be im-possible to secure further financial aid to complete the undertaking on which already \$\$,000,000 had been expended— all to secure the sale of 2,000 horse-power to the Commission.

Ontario Power Company

As regards, the contract with the On-tario Power Company for a supply of power to such municipalities as might upply for it Premier Whitney, Hon. Mr. or their associates have never taken the public into their confidence to the extent of telling what quantity of ower the contract actually covers. Nei-her has the light of day been let in on he extent to which the Government is alledged or bound in that contract.

The extent to which the Government is pledged or bound in that contract. The result, however, of the Govern-ment's action in doing business with the Ontario Power Company was gen-erally to destroy the credit of the Elec-trical Development Company. This was soon reflected in the company being forced to make a payment on account of a loan. Notice was also received to the effect that another payment would have to be made shortly thereafter. In view of the Government's action, not another dollar could be obtained from British capitalists for investment in the Electrical Development Company. The situation, therefore, became alarming for the company, and an arrangement with the company, and an arrangement with the Government or liquidation were the

Missed an Easy Purchase.

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Missed an Easy Purchase. The Government was approached on the subject, but refused to purchase the plant, on the ground that they would not invest Provincial money in it. All they would do was to act on the credit of the municipalities desiring power, and for failure of estimates, miscarriage of contract or risk to muni-cipal money invested, they would take no responsibility. During the power by-law campaign in December, and after-wards, efforts were made by the com-pany direct, and by mutual friends_ of the company and Government, to effect an agreement. There is reason to think that the company could have been taken The same day the Development Com-pany received word that it must not compete with the Government, even in its own territory, that portion east of Hamilton, except in the city of Toronto.

> FAIRS CONVENTION. Mr. Wm. Laidlaw, of Guelph, Re-elected

President. Toronto, Feb. 21.—The eighth an-nual convention of the Ontario Assoc-iation of Fairs and Exhibitions con-cluded yesterday afternoon with two addresses. One was by Mr. John Far-rell of Forest, on "How can the edu-cational feature of societies be im-proved?" "Should societies receiving Government grants be obliged to em-ploy judges selected by the Depart-ment of Agriculture?" This was the subject of an address by Dr. Sim-mons, Frankfort. Officers were elected as follows:--President, Mr. William Laidlaw, Guelph; First Vice-President, H. J. Gould, Uzbridge; Second Vice-Presi-dent, Dr. Simmons, Frankford; See-retary-Treasurer, Mr. Alex. McFar-lane, Otterville. Mr. C. C. James, Deputy Minister President.

HAMILTON EVENING TIMES. FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 21. 1908.

Public Notice

Is hereby given that the Court of Revision of the City of Hamilton will sit on Tuesday, the 10th day of March. 1908, at 3 o'clock p. m., at the City Hall, for the purpose of hearing complaints against the assessment or ac-

curacy of the frontage measurements, or any complaint which the persons interested may desire to make, and which by law is cognizable by the Court on the following named local improvement works:

Gement Sidewalks

Aberdeen avenue, south side, from Mountain avenue to Garth street. Total amount to be assessed \$308.69 Aberdeen avenue, south side, from Kent street 75 feet easterly. Total amount to be assessed \$30.45 Aberdeen avenue, north side, from Locke street westerly 808 feet. Total amount to be assessed \$329.61 Argue street, west side, from Main street to Delaware avenue. Total amount to be as-seesed \$239.55 Argue street, east side, from Delaware avenue \$256.92 to Wilson street. Total amount to be as-sessed \$452.10

Ardvorlich street, south side, from Dundurn street to Breadalbane street. Total amoun

street to Breadalbane street. Total amou to be assessed \$92.06 Barton street, north side, from Bay street westerly 100 feet. Total amount to be as seased \$23.7

Bay street, east side, from end of presen walk between Simcoe street and Stracha street to Strachan street. Total amount be assessed \$71.85 Berlin avenue, east side, from Barton street to T., H. & B. Ry. Total amount to be ased \$128.77 Beulah evenue, west side from Aberdeer evenue southerly 870 feet; Total amo be assessed \$287.29 Beulah avenue, east side, from Aberdeen avenue southerly 488 feet. Total amou be assessed \$144.2

Burris street, east side, from Main street t Delaware avenue. Total amount to be as sessed \$204.00 Cannon street, north side, from Wentworth street to Madison street. Total amoun be assessed \$158.09 charlton avenue, north side, from house No. 838 to Garth street. Total amount to be as sed \$210.32 heever street, east side, from end of presen walk northerly 68 feet. Total amount to be

be assessed \$95.78 claware avenue, south side, from Sherman avenue to Fairleigh Crescent. Total am to be assessed \$425.7

buke street, south side, from Hess street to Queen street. Total amount to be sessed \$70.24

Elizabeth street, north side, from New stree easterly 198 feet. Total amount to be as sessed \$63.1 mirleigh avenue, west side, from Delawar avenue to Poplar avenue. Total amoun be assessed \$243.\$ Fairleigh Crescent, both sides, from Delaware avenue to Delaware avenue. Total and to be assessed \$214.84

Locke street, west side, from Hunter street to Canada street. Total amount to be assessed \$21.65 Main street, south side, from 135 feet east of Fairleigh avenue to Sherman avenue, Total amount to be assessed \$365.94 dountain avenue, west side, from Aberdeen avenue to South street. Total amount to the assessed \$292.71 avenue to South street. Total amount to be assessed \$362.47 Mary street, east side, from Wood street to Macauley street. Total amount to be as-

Myrtle avenue, both sides, from Delawar avenue southerly 548 feet. Total amoun sessed \$127.2 Pearl street, west side, from Canada street to T., H. & B. Ry. Total amount to be assessed \$11.13 Pearl street, east side, from Hunter street to T., H. & B. Ry. Total amount to be Picton street, north side, from Bay street westerly 105 feet. Total amount to be assessed \$36.56 Picton street, south side, from Mary street to Ferguson avenue. Total amount to be assessed \$249.58 Queen street, east side, from Peter street to Napler street. Total amount to be

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York street, north side, from Dundurn Gate to Dundurn street. Total amount to be as-sessed

Cement Curbing

... \$63.17 000.

berland avenue, between east and west indaries of Delaware Park property. To-amount to be assessed \$478.80 Fairleigh avenue and Poplar avenue, from Delaware avenue to east end of Poplar av-enue, Total amount to be assessed \$1,951.24 Fairleigh avenue, from King street to Main street. Total amount to be assessed \$841.50 Fairleigh Crescent, from Delaware avenue to end of street. Total amount to be assessed Fairview avenue, from King street to Wilson street. Total amount to be assessed \$925.43 Henry street, from New street easterly 237 feet, Total amount to be assessed \$184.60 Hill street, from Garth street easterly 183 feet. Total amount to be assessed \$272.55 Holton avenue, from King street to Main street. Total amount to be assessed \$1,056.22 Homewood avenue, from Garth street we erly \$30 feet. Total amount to be assess \$1,077 assessed \$1.077.64 Kent street, from Aberdeen avenue to Gler fern avenue. Total amount to be assesse ASSessed \$1,254.1 Myrtle avenue, from Delaware avenue 548 feet southerly. Total amount to be assessed \$442.55 Peter street, from Queen street to Ray street. Total amount to be assessed \$469.80 Picton street, from Ferguson avenue to Wel lington street. Total amount to be assesse \$1,257.8 \$1.257.8 Ray street, from Napler street to Market street. Total amount to be assessed \$369.52 Shaw street, from Emerald street 567 fees easterly. Total amount to be assessed... \$568.96 Stirton avenue, from King street to Wilson street. Total amount to be assessed \$795.98 Stuart street, from James street to Hugh-son street. Total amount to be assessed Strachan street, from MacNab street, to Bay street. Total amount to be assessed \$403.14 Tiffany street, from Stuart street to Bar-ton street, Total amount to be assessed urner avenue, from Aberdeen avenu south end of Turner avenue and Abe avenue, from end of present rewer to ner avenue. Total amount to be as

Westmoreland avenue, from Delaware avenue to T., H. & B. Ry, Total amount to be assessed \$905.03 be an-\$604.04

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Mr. John Penman Promises \$15,000 for New School in Paris.

Paris Ont Feb 20 -The Board of asked the Town Cou Education hav

Education have asked the Town Coun-cil to raise \$40,000 for the erection of a new public school. For years there has been an agitation for a new building to replace the insanitary ones now in use, and also to remove the public school classes from the high school. The board has had plans and specifica-tions prepared, and tenders have been received for an eleven-roomed school. The building, furnishing and lot will cost \$55,000, and of that sum Mr. John Perman has offered to contribute \$15.7

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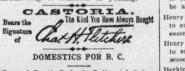
lane, Otterville. Mr. C. C. James, Deputy Minister of Agriculture, gave an anteresting address.

HARTWICK HOWLING MAD.

Wife Murderer Yells and Mumbles in His Cell.

London, Feb. 20.—James Hartwick. the alleged murderer, took another turn for the worse last night in a men-tal way, and to-day he is locked up in his narrow night cell with his hands secured with the "muffs." Last night the aged prisoner began to yell and preach, and he finally be-came so violent that it was found nec-essary to take special precautions with him.

him. He, however, refuses to take much rest, and most of the time stands be-fore the door of his cell, alternately mumbling to himself or yelling.



General Booth Defends Policy of Salvation Army.

London, Feb. 20 .- F. L. Goldsmid re

London, Feb. 20.—F. L. Goldsmid re-ported gratifying progress on the project to establish "Tumbridge Wells in Can-adu" at a meeting of supporters. Last year 160 persons emigrated. He urged that the Government should move in the matter of supplying the colonies with British emigrants. "Adressing a batch of emigrants, maily agricultural laborers and fe-male domestics, en route for British Columbia, General Booth defended the Salvation Army's emigration policy. He was satisfied the Army was on the right lines, and that is would go on progressing. It was being considered to place 3,000 to 5,000 men on railway construction work. Tive hundred of the 800 emigrants saling to-day go to British Columbia under the terms of the Salvation Army's agreement with the British Columbia Government.

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easterly 60 feet. Total amount to be as Homewood avenue, north side, from Garth street to end of street. Total amount to be assessed \$266.88 James street, at Incline Railway. Total amount to be assessed \$68.97

Dixon.

Pipe Sewers

Materials. Sydney, N. S., Feb. 20. —Headed by Detective Musgrave, a posse of three men this afternoon went out to Lin-gan and raided a fully appointed li-quor still, capturing a large quantity of spirit. The haul comprised ninety sevengallon casks and a small quan-tity of Cape Breton whiskey, with a practically unlimited supply of hops and other ingredients which are in-cluded in the manufacture of liquor. Concealed in one of the rooms were found one hundred gallons of molas-ses. Arthur avenue, from King street to Wilson street. Total amount to be assessed \$1,072.82 Bay street, from Strachan street to Simcoe street. Total amount to be assessed \$314.46

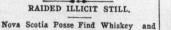
ses. The proprietor, one Cameron, a native of Prince Edward Island, on the ap-proach of the officers made good his es-cape through a hole in the rear of the building. He could not be located. Bay street, from Barton street to Sheaffe street. Total amount to be assessed \$495.37 Beulah avenue, from Aberdeen avenue to South street. Total amount to be assessed Running No Risk.

Burris street, from Delaware avenue to Pop-lar avenue. Total amount to be assessed \$856.67 Cannon street, from Bjrch avenue to Sher-man avenue. Total amount to be assessed \$1,664.72

San Juan, Porto Rico, Feb. 20,



Dixon. The reason for the murder is to be found in the fact that Dixon had been placed in irons recently for disobedi-ence. Dixon at once reported the mur-der, and asked the second officer to put him in the ship rig.



Materials,



ELECTRIC SUPPLY

Running No Risk. "What?" asks the maiden aunt, "Going to marry that Mr. Newwun? Why, you hardly know the man, Imogene. In the few days you have been acquainted with him you cannot possibly have learped anything of his family or antecedents or habits or personal circumstances." "That is true, Aunt Keturah. But you have always told me that no woman who knows anything about a man will marry him,"-Success Magazine. Phone 23. (Lowe & Farrel), Repairs neatly and promptly All kinds of house and factory pres, glassware, speaking tubes atchmen's clocks,

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