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### **DEFINITE OFFER OF** RESPONSIBLE FIRM.

(Continued from page 1.)

Cataract offer figured out at, while the Hydro estimate was \$17.50. He said Mr. Hawkins' figured out that on a me-ter basis the prices were nearly the

ame.

Mr. Hawkins said this was merely a power question and had nothing to do with transmission. People thought that to much a horse power per year was a very definite thing while it was exactly the reverse. "If you have so much a horse power per hour you are perfectly sure you will get value for every dolar spent. Mr. Hawkins said that this was illustrated in letting contracts with ordinary power users. In almost every ease starting out the customer said he knew what the kilowatt hour meant. The company put meters on all these and then rendered two accounts, as a comparison. "We have not a flat rate sustomer on our system now and we have them all from those who use power one hour to twenty-four hours," said Mr. Hawkins. "Buying by the flat rate you have to have enough for all emergencies, although you may not use 60 per cent of it. Under our offer you will have sufficient reserve all the time and yet will only pay for what you actually use."

Mr. Hawkins quoted statistics, showing how this worked out with some of the large power users and the result was certainly startling. "That shows plainly," he said, "that what seems most definite is really indefinite and vice versa." This was caused he explained by light loads, shut downs and times when the motors were not operating at sail. Mr. Hawkins said this was merely a

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The city would find that the Cataract offer of \$35 would correspond to from \$45 to \$50 under the other. In other words, the Hydro offer was bound to be higher to meet contingencies that might arise.

"Under our system." he declared, "when the goods are not delivered you cease paying. It is the only correct and fair system, and one that appeals to your power user. The other way of doing it is by men inexperienced who must have something to talk about, and who do not know enough about it to talk about the real substance of it."

This was illustrated, he said, in the street lighting arbitration where two of the engineers had admitted that they had not had any experience in operating plants.

plants.
Chairman Clark—Yes, I believe the more you hear about it the less you know about it.
Mr. Hawkins—To a certain extent.
Ald. Wright—Is there any reason why the Hydro-Electric people should not put their price on the same basis?
—Mr. Hawkins—I do not know that there is. But I don't think that they can touch us.

can touch us.

Ald. Wright—How do you figure out
that you can best them?

Mr. Hawkins—We have a less costly

plant.

Mr. Hawkins made his position about the cost of the pumps quite clear.

"I expect to make the cost of the pumps," he said. "There is no doubt about that. I could not make a present of them to the city; it would be against the law."

the law."
The company hoped that at the end of six years the city would be so pleased with the proposition that it would continue it and be a good customer, he said. Chairman Clark—Suppose at the end of that time we wanted to change the

cycle? Mr. Hawkins—All you would have to do is to change the motors. Chairman Clark—That is an expensive

item.
Mr. Hawkins-But you will not be in any worse a position than to-day, for you will not be paying for the cost of the pumps.
Secretary James—We will on the

argued that the city Mr. Hawkins argued that the city would be only paying the interest. Mr. Barrow wanted to know if the company would instal frist-class pumps. Mr. Hawkins replied that it was figuring on the Worthington three-stage pumps, which Mr. Barrow admitted were first-

class.

Ald. Farrar thought the matter should be dealt with along business lines. Referring to the Hydro proposition, he

ferring to the Hydro proposition, he said:

"There is a problem on which we will have to spend \$227,090 to bring it to an issue. We would be very foolish aldermen, if we did not give this matter very serious attention. This antagonistic feeling toward the Cataract Power Company is dead."

Chairman Clark replied that he would make a business deal with his greatest enemy. "But," said he, "we have been hoodwinked and bamboozled by the contivance of some of our city officials with the members of the Cataract Power Company. There was no doubt that a by-law was fixed up after passing the Council which we could not make head or tail of."

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"Our word is our bond with others," smiled Mr. Hawkins. "This is the only place where it is not our bond."

The committee then adjourned, to hear the argument in favor of the Hydro scheme to-night.

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-Last special social session of the ear at the Alexandra to night. -Mr. W. K. Pearce, manager of the Dominion Bank, of this city, was in St. Thomas yesterday.

-The Right House closes to night at o'clock. Open to-morrow night until 10 o'clock.

—Get out to The Right House early no-morrow morning and share in the wonderful Christmas bargains. -Ninth Division Court was held at the Court House this morning, Mr. W. S. McBrayne presiding as judge. There were about 25 cases on the list.

—In distributing your gifts at this Christmas season, do not forget the Aged Women's Home. Any gifts for the comfort of the inmates or contributions towards the work of this institution will be gratefully accepted.

—Donations of Christmas cheer for St.
Peter's Infirmary may be sent to Peebles, Hobson & Co., by whom they will
be forwarded to the home. Friends will
kindly send their contributions as early
as possible.

-Ties ... .. 

### THE WEATHER.

FORECASTS .- Fresh to strong southwesterly winds; fair to-day and on Saturday; not much change in tempera-

The following is issued by the Department of Marine and Fisheries:

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0		8	a. m.	Min.	Weather.
	Calgary	٠.	24	6	Cloudy
e	Winnipeg		18	18	Cloudy
0.	Parry Sound		32	28	Cloudy
y'	Toronto			28	Cloudy
g	Ottawa			24	Cloudy
	Montreal			24	Cloudy
e	Quebec			22	Cloudy
u	Father Point			16	Cloudy
99	Port Arthur		24	18	Cloudy
	WEATH	Œ	R NO	TES.	

Pressure continues comparatively low over the northern portion of the continent, and high elsewhere. The weather has remained fair and moderately cold in Canada, with the exception of a few light local snow falls in the lake region. Washington, Dec. 20.—Forecasts:
Eastern States and Northern New York, Partly chould to night and Sature.

York: Partly cloudy to night and Satur day; light to fresh west winds. Western New York: Cloudy; possibly light snow to-night or Saturday; freshwest to southwest winds.

The following is the temperature as registered at Parke & Parke's drug 9 a. m., 29; 12 noon, 34; 2 p. m., 36 Lowest in 24 hours, 19; highest, 36.

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## **Municipal Elections**

City Hall, Monday, Dic. 30th,

1907, At 10 o'clock a. m., for the nomination of Mayor, and at 12 o'clock noon for the nomin-ation of Aldermen.

8. H. KENT, City Clerk.

Dec. 20th, 1907.

A meeting of the electors of WARD NUM-BER ONE will be held at Stinson street school, Monday, 30th December, 1907, at 12 o'clock noon, for the nomination of candidates for the office of School Trustee for Ward Number One.

Ward Number One.

WILLIAM ALLEN.
Returning Officer.
Dated the 20th day of December, A. D., 1907.
A meeting of the electors of WARD NUMBER TWO will be held at Queen Victoria School, Monday, 30th December, 1907, at 12 o'clock noon, for the nomination of candidates for the office of School Trustee for Ward Number Two.

JOHN MALLOY

Ward Number Two.

JOHN MALLOY,
Returning Officer.
A meeting of the electors of WARD NUMBER THREE will be held at Caroline street school. Monday, 30th, December, 1907, at 12 o'clock noon, for the nomination of candidates for the office of School Trustee for Ward Number Three,

JAMES BYRER.

JAMES BYRER, Returning Offi

JAMES BYRER,
Returning Officer,
A meeting of the electors of WARD NUMBER FOUR will be held at Hess street
school, Monday, 39th December, 1907, at 425
o'clock noon for the nomination of candidates for the office of School Trustes for,
Ward Number Four.

BYRON RICHARDSON,
Returning Officer,
Dated the 29th day of December, 1, 1, 1907,
A meeting of the electors of WARD NUMBER FIVE will be held at City Hall, James
street, Monday, 30th December, 1907, at 12
o'clock noon, for the nomination of candidates for the office of School Trustee for
Ward Number Five.

GUY JUDD,

dates for the office of School Trustee for Ward Number Five.

GUY JUDD,
A meeting of the electors of WARD NUMBER SIX will be held at Police Court, King William and the company of the electors of WARD NUMBER SIX will be held at Police Court, King William and the company of the electors of Ward Number Six at 12 o'clock monday and the company of the co

A. P. NICHOL,
Returning Officer.
Dated the 20th day of December, A.D., 1907.

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T. J. STEWART.

Hamilton, Dec. 17th. 1907.

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By order of the Board of Directors.

WM. C. HAWKINS,
Secretary,

December 13th 1907. **Dominion Power & Trans**mission Co., Limited

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WM. C. HAWKINS

WM. C. HAWKINS December 13th, 1907.



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