CITY TO CONFER ON **QUESTION OF POWER**

Shortage Is Still Acute, Says Acting-Manager of the Commission.

The board of control will have a conference next Tuesday at two o'clock with the Toronto Hydro-Elec-

o'clock with the Toronto Hydro-Electric Commissioners on the power question, and it is expected Sir Adam Beck will also be present. Mayor Church stated yesterday that something may also be said regarding the negotiations for the purchase of the Metropolitan railway.

"The commission is meeting with considerable success in its campaign to get consumers on the different circuits together and arrange with them in what way they can take their share of the power available with the minimum of inconvenience," said E. M. Ashworth, acting general manager of the commission, yesterday, adding that the shortage of power was as acute as ever, and that even if the city got 5,000 additional horsepower from the 15,000 horsepower to be delivered by the Electr.cal Development Company, conditions would not be Company, conditions would not be quite as good as last year, altho they ould be materially better than at

"There are only two ways of notifying power users in advance of a cut off," Mr. Ashworth stated. "One is by telephone, but this method is a physical impossibility, as at such times our switchboard is smothered. The only other form of notification in advance is to have some kind of schedule, but the trouble in this case is that any schedule, to be effective. is that any schedule, to be effective must take care of the worst condi-

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"On dark and rainy days, when the lighting load is added to the power load, our conditions are very much worse than on bright, sunny days. There is so much variation that, as any schedule providing for taking care of the worst conditions will not permit consumers taking ad-vantage of improved conditions that vantage of improved conditions that may arise. Many people think it is an easy matter to arrange a schedule, but the great stumbling block in the way is that it has to take care of the maximum demand made for

POSTMEN ASK MAYOR TO TAKE UP CASE

Several of the 65 letter carriers who were laid off on the first of the month have asked the mayor to take up their case, and his worship has written to the chairman of the civil service commission asking if something cannot be done towards keeping them

veterans, and the veterans' associa-tions are also communicating with Ottawa in regard to the matter.

STATEMENT GARBLED. SAYS NEW MAGISTRATE

an Ontario Temperance Act clause Action was deferred until the board placing onus of proof on the accused, said yesterday that no good purpose could be served by entering into any controversy over his reported remarks on the O.T.A. However, he did point out that his remarks, as referred to in the morning paper were incomplete and the report garbled. He added that in the particular case under discus-sion his worship recorded a convic-"As Ontario Temperance Act case

will be continually coming before me." said Mr. Jones, "I think my attitude with regard to the act will be shown clearly enough by the manner in which I administer it."

DID NOT TURN UP.

A deputation of women to urge the appointment of a woman police magistrate for Toronto was to have waited on Attorney-General Raney yesterday, but falled to keep the appointment, which has been indefin-

Seen as Their Friends Know Them NO. 29.



court of Ontario. He was born in Hamilton, and was educated in the Cobourg Grammar School, Victoria Col-

BIG LUMBER YARD IN FAIRBANK SWEPT BY FIRE



in the early hours of yesterday morning the property shown, owned by Ashforth Pedwell, a tract of about one and one-half acres, was visited by fire. Owing to the iculty in getting help in fighting the flames, the fire gained great headway and the loss is estimated at \$50,000

QUERY LEGALITY OF VOCATIONAL POST

Question of Bengough's Appointment Goes to Solicitor for Opinion.

At a meeting of the management committee of the board of education yesterday, Trustee Edmunds ques-tioned the legality of the recent aptraining and opportunity classes, and, seconded by Rev. F. E. Powell, had the question of the legality of the appointment sent to the solicitor of the board of education for an opinion. Inspectorship plans were discussed upon the recommendation of the chief inspector that an application be made to the minister of education for a cut in half of the ten Toronto public school districts and

a reorganization of the work.

Under the present law the inspectors have to make a written report upon two inspections a year of the work of every teacher in the district. Chief Inspector Cowley says that in view of the supervision of the school principals of the individual teacher's work, one inspection a year of each teacher's labors is all that is neces-

Under the proposed plan the inspectors would have more time for attendance at meetings of the board of inspectors to consider questions referred to them by the board. The inspectors were stated by Chief Inspector Cowley to have harder work than any of the teachers.

Trustee Edmunds argued that what

James Edmund Jones, the new deputy magistrate for Toronto, to whom was attributed by a morning paper the remark that his "blood boiled" at an Ontario Temperance Act clause

starting a sight-saving class at Orde

GIVE BUILDING PERMIT FOR NEW SYNAGOGUE

was sent on to the board.

The congregation of Beth Jacob ook out a permit yesterday for the construction of a synagogue at 23 Henry street, which will cost \$120,-000. The edifice will be of stone and

MEN YOU HEAR OF Fisher, pair dwellings, south side Murdoch avenue, \$5,000.

The Farmers' feed building at No. 10 Don Esplanade has been sold to A. A. McFall, grain merchant, for about \$30,000.

H. M. Niblock, has purchased the residence at 109 Westmount avenue from P. M. Spalding for \$15,000. The rontage of the property is 35 feet.

W. B. Charlton is one of the purchasers of lots in the old general hospital site on East Gerrard street, which has been cut up into building sites. Mr. Charlton's syndicate will erect houses on both Sackville and Sumach streets frontage. They have also purchased the old hospital building and will demolish it. The buildings and about 480 feet of land were sold for \$85,000.

meeting her on the street in More-cambe, a seaside resort in Lancashire, after some overtures in regard to con-ciliation, which proved abortive, cut

CHARGE SHOPLIFTING. Alfred Raven, 137 Sumach street, lege and Osgoode Hall, and was called to the Ontario bar in 1883. He was preated a K.C. in 1897. Justice Riddell has an international reputation as a linear an international reputation as a linear and simple of articles from both Eaton's and Simpson's large tective-Sergts. Mitchell and Dawn on a charge of shoplifting. The man is alleged to have stolen a number of articles from both Eaton's and Simpson's large tective-Sergts. Mitchell and Dawn on a charge of shoplifting from the T. was arrested yesterday afternoon by arrested yesterday afternoon by De-

ASK REORGANIZATION OF T. AND N. O. COMMISSION

An announcement is expected shorty regarding the long-promised reorganization of the Timiskaming and Northern Ontario Railway Commission. The government is being urged by Northern Ontario members of the house to hurry up, and the premier said yesterday that the matter was being considered.

The suggestion has been made that the personnel of the commission be increased from 3 to 5 and that, too,

SPRACKLIN'S FUTURE IS STILL IN DOUBT

Government Has Not Considered Whether Services Will Be Retained or Not.

There was no particular signifi-cance attached to the conference yesterday between the attorney-geenral and License Commissioner Flavelle. "We are continually conferring regarding the O.T.A.," Mr. Raney ex-

As for the case of Rev. J. O. Spracklin, Mr. Raney declined again to make any comment at present. Neither he nor Mr. Flavelle would say what the department proposed doing regarding his services. As a matter of fact, the former said, the case had not been discussed yet ex-

Asked about the rumored appointment of License Inspector Mousseau as a police magistrate for Essex county, Mr. Raney said he had noth-Commenting on the liquor situation

generally, Mr. Raney said: "We feel that there has been considerable improvement in the enforcement of Street School.

Mrs. A. C. Courtice's motion for the liquor law, but there much room for improvement.' the liquor law, but there is still

BACKUS WILL NOT ENJOY MONOPOLY

ment and Backus:

"The lease of the said water power (referring to the White Dog Rapids), shall be the standard form of government lease of water power, but in addition the said lease and rights so granted shall be subject to the rights of all private ownership property which are liable to be affected by the development of the water power at the said rapids or the storage of water in connection therewith: and to such in connection therewith; and to such rentals, reservations, provisos, conditions and stipulations, including the regulations of the Norman dam at the outlet of the Lake of the Woods, as the minister of lands and forests may deem to be in the public interest."

RADIAL COMMISSION **RETURNS FROM TOUR**

FORMER TORONTONIAN

FIGURES IN TRAGEDY

The Sutherland Royal Commission, which is investigating the Hydro-Radial program in Ontario, has returned from a trip thru the New England, of a tragedy in which the principals were a former resident of this city, H. E. Abbott, who two years ago kept a meat store at 205 Danforth he married in England following the death of her husband, a soldier, who fell dead at her feet just as she was about to greet him when he returned home on leave.

Abbott and his wife separated, and, meeting her on the sufficiency of the sutherland Royal Commission, was not a word of truth in it. "The was not a word of truth in it. "The turned from a trip thru the New England States, where a study was made of the electric lines there. It is expected that the sittings of the commission will be resumed on Nov. 22, W. S. Murray having expressed his ability to be present and give evidence at that time. The testimony of Mr. Murray, who is the New York engineer engaged by the Hydro-Electric Commission to make the special report last spring, is awaited with interest.

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ciliation, which proved abortive, cut her throat and then his own. Both died a few minutes later,

Mrs. Arbott's first husband was Private Singleton, whose tragic death occurred on August 8, 1919. Mrs. Singleton remained a widow until she married Abbott in September of this year, They lived together a few weeks and then separated.

The town reporting to provincial head-quarters yesterday in the Navy League of Canada drive to raise \$760 000 were: Eganville, \$300; Pembroke, \$900: Port Carling, \$153; Niagara-on-the-Lake, \$55; Mitchell, and New Toronto, \$942.

Eighty-nine women's institutes have contributed. The last to be heard from were Shanty Bay, Ailansville, Gilbert's Mills and Elgin.

CHARGED WITH THEFT. Annie Farrell, 87 Wrenson avenue, and Annie Davis, 21 Elm street, were

POWER SETTLEMENT STILL IN BALANCE

Difference Between Government and Hydro Commission Delays Matters.

The expected settlement of the power situation did not materialize yesterday. Hopes, however, are held out that something definite will be

The government's proposals for lean-up were considered by the Hydro Commission yesterday. They are said to suggest that a board of engineers, and not judges, be appointed to fix the price to be paid the Mackenzie interests for the power to be furnished to the Hydro Commisbe furnished to the Hydro Commission. This is understood to be agreeable to Sir William Mackenzie and his associates, but Sir Adam Beck, on the other hand, is said to be absolutely opposed to the idea. He is credited with taking the position that the private interests should be asked to name a price for the newer that to name a price for the power they are to supply to the commission, and failing this, he would approve the appointment of a commission of judges, but not applicable.

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After consulting with legal counsel the commission forwarded its reply to the government's proposals, but Sir Adam Beck declined to disclose the contents of

the contents of it.

Delayed by Hydro?

When seen by The World yesterday Premier Drury said he thought that the extra power from the Mackenzie company would have been available on Tuesday, but the Hydro Commission had objected to the terms upon which it was to be supplied, hence the delay.

Sir Adam Beck, on the other hand

explained that he had received a memorandum from the government outlining the proposed terms upon which the Mackenzie interests would which the Mackenzle interests would supply the power. The matter was of such importance that he had called a meeting of the other members of the commission as well as its legal advisers and as soon as possible had sent a reply to the premier. What the reply was he declined to say.

Developments are expected today.

OPPOSE INCREASE IN CHATHAM GAS PRICES

brick.
Other permits issued by the city architect's department yesterday were:
Crane, Limited, warehouse, stable and garage, northeast corner of Front and Windsor streets, \$3,300; Tarbox Bros., boiler house, 14 Morrow avenue, \$3,500; W. E. Wilder, dwelling, 32 Whitney avenue, \$19,000, and J. W. Fisher, pair dwellings, south side in the agreement between the government.

for Sale of English
River Limits.

The city of Chatham yesterday moved before Mr. Justice Logie at word before Mr. Justice Logie at straining the Chatham Gas Co. From increasing its rates from 35 cents to 50 cents for domestic uses, and from 35 cents to 75 cents for furnace use.

An agreement made on Dec. 31, 1906, says that the then existing prices were to obtain for five years. yesterday quoted the following clause in the agreement between the government and Backus:

1906, says that the then existing prices were to obtain for five years, and were not after that time to be increased above rates for gas in other

The city of Chatkam says that the suggested rates are greater than those in a score of Ontario towns at the present time:

The argument this morning centred about the question of whether appeal should be made to the courts or to the Ontario Railway Board. W. N. Tilley appeared for the gas company, and O. L. Lewis for the city of Chatham. Judgment was reserved. MASSEY THUR., NOV. 18

MACHINE GUN STORY IS PURE INVENTION

Machine guns were to be issued to the police force, according to a report in a morning paper yesterday, but when Chief of Police Dickson was informed of this, he retorted that there

OF PURE FOOD BUILDING

The directors of the Exhibition will have a conference on Tuesday next at noon with the board of control regarding plans for the new pure food ruidding which will be erected on the grounds. The pure food exhibitors are undertaking to pay a rental sufficient to cover the carrying charges for 10

MORE LATITUDE BY THE GOVERNMENT

Commissioner McCutcheon Tells Civil Service Board of Appointments.

J. M. McCutcheon, civil service com nissioner, told the Ontario civil service commission, sitting at Osgoode Hall yesterday afternoon, that the present government aflowed him greater latitude in making civil service appointments than any previous provincial cabinet. The making of appointments was now left almost entirely to him, while formerly it had been cabinet ministers who had given them out. Commissioner Pocock asked Mr. McCutcheon if it were true that it was very hard for an applicant to get in touch with him. He said that he had heard complaints that Mr. McCutche surrounded himself with several strands of barbed wire and often an applicant could not reach him. The commissioner stated that he had never efused to see an applicant.

Chairman Gregory said complaints nad been received from returned sol-diers' bodies to the effect that many of these civil service positions were filled before it was known that there was any vacancy. He was of the opinion that these vacancies should be Miss Helen B. Palen, one of Toronto's women barristers, asked that if women were to be appointed as magis-

trates and assistant juvenile court judges, these women should have legal raining. "It is not fair to give women these positions unless they have the same qualifications as are demanded "Auld Reekle." of men filling the same kind of job,"

"Auld Reekle."
Prior to the address the musical part of the program was much enjoyed and included a medley by the Misses Robertson and Johnson, highland dances by the brothers Alexander, and pipe selections by Pipe-Major Burns.

Many well-known people were present, including J. A. Patterson, K.C., and Dr. J. A. McDonald, while the chair was taken by J. A. Patterson. W. L. Haight, crown attorney, Parry Sound, offered the novel suggestion that all applicants for appointments as magistrates should be required to attend a training school in Toronto and submit individual theses on the duties by

submit individual theses on the duties pertaining to this office before their appointments were confirmed. He thought there should also be a school in the city for high constables.

Mr. Haight also strongly advocated the complete abolition of grand juries. He characterized them as being wholly superfluous, and instead of being a help, were a hindrance. yesterday on two charges of adulter, ating and misbranding butter. Together with the costs, the fine will total in all to \$138. The alternative was three months in jail.

NATURAL GAS PRICES

Representatives from municipalities in western Ontario using natural gas held another all-day session at the parliament buildings yesterday with officials of the Union Gas Co. in an effort to come to an agreement regarding the proposal to increase the price of gas. The conference, howjourned until next week.

The municipalities are willing to pay 40 cents for their gas, but the company is asking 50 cents. The latter claims to have already made a

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Caledonian Society of Toronto was held in

the Foresters' Hall last night, when the

Rev. W. Muir Auld, of Old St. Andrew's

Church, delivered an interesting address

entitled "Romantic Sir Walter Scott." in

which he dwelt upon the life of the noted

ADULTERATED BUTTER. Mrs. Olive Duckworth was fined \$25 and costs in the county police court yesterday on two charges of adulter-

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ASKING ACTION ON EQUALIZING RATES

Manufacturers' Association Asks Railway Commission for Early Judgment.

The Canadian Manufacturers' Association has made application to the board of railway commissioners asking for the earliest consideration of the question of equalizing freight rates between western and eastern Canada, This application is based on the re-

cent order-in-council issued by the committee of the privy council recommending the board of ratiway commis-sioners to reconsider their judgment in connection with the recent increase R. S. McLAUGHLIN,

President of General Motors of Canada, who, at the annual meeting of the Automotive Industries of Canada, heid in the city yesterday, was elected president. W. T. Sampson, president of the Gananoque Spring and Axle Company, Limited, was elected vice-president.

Charged with stealing cigarets and tobacco from the C.P.R., Fred Allen was found not guilty and honorably acquitted by a jury in the court of general sessions yesterday.

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