CAUTIOUS G. P. GRAHAM

Provincial Secretary Hard Man

to Nail Down As Witness.

But Lett and Reilly Saw Him At Home

On Sunday-Mr. Graham Strongly As-

serts His Innocence in the Ballot Box

Outrage-Weese Contradicts Editor

Bremner Point Blank-Police Magis-

Belleville, Dec. 3 .- The ballot box

investigation will not be restricted.

though the appearance of an attor-mey for the Ontario Government in-

expressed a desire to have the facts brought out, but just at the moment

when the inquisitors are prepared to

put into the box the men high up, a skilled criminal lawyer appears in

trate Wood Indisposed.

Graham Testifies.

ganizer for some Eastern constituencies, Mr. DuVernet asked.
"Not in the ordinary acceptance of

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may for the Ontario Government indicates that there is a feeling in some quarters that it has gone far enough. It is well known that the prosecution of Editor T. S. Carman for criminal libel is not the main object of the wide-open investigation now going on before Police Magistrate Wood. The real object of bringing out all the evidence concerning the conspiracy to defraud electors by the introduction of fake ballot boxes "Reilly says he found Lott with you," observed Mr. DuVernet. "So far as I can recall, they arthe introduction of fake ballot boxes is to connect the conspirators so far named with men higher up, who are believed to be the real culprits. The defendant in the libel case has rived together," replied Mr. Graham. "Lot and his companion stayed about half an hour, and did not re-

side election workers?"
"I did, and condemned both."
"Lott swore he was going to carry

"You spoke of corruption and out-

the two came together, though Lott might have preceded Reilly. If it were so, it was only by two minutes

Conversed With Lott.

date, but it might have been about month before the elections. Mr. Graham had an Ottawa office Hon. Geo. P. Graham took the room during the campaign for a nth, in connection with his dut-Dredging and the Trent Valley 'You were formerly a Liberal or-

ies. Dredging and the Trent Valley Canal were the questions discussed by Mr. Graham and Lott. "Not in the ordinary acceptance of the term," was the answer.
"In the extraordinary sense, then?"
"I agreed to oversee the campaign in the East for some weeks."
Mr. Graham said he knew Shibley and Byron Lott, the former only slightly. Regarding the ridings in which Shibley and Lott ran, Mr. Graham said he had known all along that they were hopelessly Conserva-

"In any of these interviews did Lott tell you of a scheme to win

Lott tell you of a scheme to win West Hastings?"
"Positively, no."
"Now, Mr. Graham, I want to be fair with you. I am instructed that you had a conversation with B. O. Lott at the Russell Hotel before the elections, and that a man of the highest standing overheard Lott speak of the scheme. I am also informed that he heard vou tell Lott that you knew of the scheme."
"It is absolutely untrue. I never "It is absolutely untrue, I heard Lott say anything of

that they were hopelessly Conserva-tive. One Sunday early in October Byron Lott and a young man called at his (Mr. Graham's) house in Brockville. He could not remember whether the latter was introduced as Relly or not. Mr. Graham thought the two cause together; though Latt "I am informed that the man I speak of will swear to what I say."
"I can't help what others say."
"Are you prepared to swear that
you did not discuss election matters

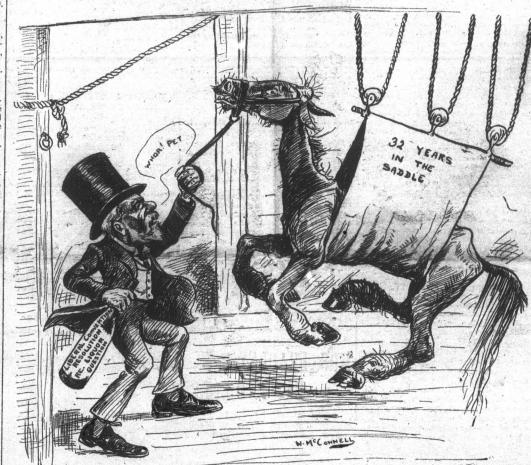
with Lott in the Russell House? "I have no recollection of having Graham again denied that Lott

had spoken of a scheme.

Persist in Denial. "The man who comes" here swears he heard you say that you knew of a scheme is committing per

"Unless he misconstrued a conver-sation." Mr. Graham replied, and he

HE WON'T SWALLOW IT.



THE OLD HORSE: - "No you don't, Sir! It's water I want."

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court prepared to smother the in-quiry on the spot. Mr. Robinette announces that he is here to appear announces that he is here to appear with Mr. McCamon, and his first move is to endeavor to persuade the Magistrate that some of the evidence should not be taken. This plea did not succeed. If it had, the prosecuting lawyer would probably have found his way to the truth barred by a skilful lawyer armed with authorities and precedents against the admission of damaging evidence. The bolief here is that T. C. Robinette is acting for the Ontario Government, acting for the Ontario Government who are not possessed of a burning desire to see the whole plot laid bare. The following are the court proceed-

Dwight Not There.

ings vesterday:

Mr. DuVernet called H. P. Dwight the G.N.W. General Manager, but there was no answer. Mr. DuVernet then put Dennis P. Horan, proprie-tor of the Alexander Hotel, Prescott. Last October, said witness, Reilly and another had dinner at his hotel, and Reilly enquired for Whelan. "I object," interrupted Mr. Robi-

and territy enquired to the control of the conversation be heard in a case against Mr. Carman?"

The Magistrate said the investigation had taken a very wide range

on both sides.
"So I believe," said Mr. Robinette. Robinette There to Obstruct.

Mr. DuVernet said it was not con sidered the right thing for a coun sel to appear at so late a date in the investigation. The Magistrate had made a ruling on the point, and it should be accepted. "I know why should be accepted. "I know why my learned friend is here—to ob-struct matters. We're here to show that there was a conspiracy to de-fraud the electors. My learned friend Frontenac and West Hastings, did he

He said there were chances." "What did Reilly say?"
"That he had hopes of Frontenac."
"Did you see the joy in Lott's face
when he predicted victory?".

"Not particularly."
"Did you see Lott before or after
that October 2nd, in the Russell
House, Ottawa?"
"I think I saw Lott in Ottawa be-

fore October, but I am not sure."
"Do you remember meeting Lott in
the Russell in September?"
"I wouldn't swear, but I have no recollection."

"Did you have a conversation with ott in which he said he had a cheme with which he could win West Hastings?"
"I did not"—and Mr. Graham's re-

"I did not"—and Mr. Graham's reply was emphatic.
Concerning Mr. DuVernet's persistent suggestion that Mr. Graham had talked over election matters with Lott in the Russell House, Mr. Graham commented that he did not conduct business in hotels.
"You prefer your office, where there is none to hear?" said Mr. DuVernet.

"But Byron Lott is not a cautious

man."
"He might talk so loudly that by-standers might hear?"
Mr. Graham denied that there were

Mr. Graham denied that there were discrepancies in his interviews with the newspapers.

Through indisposition the magistrate was compelled to vacate the bench for a short time.

Resuming Mr. Graham's examination, Mr. DuVernet asked: "Since you were in the box, have you heard where I got my information as to the Russell House conversation? Did Mr. Robinstet tell you?"

"No."

"How many times did you see Lott in your Ottawa office?"

"Twice."

Mr. Graham did not remember the

could not understand how anything said could be so construed. Mr. Graham certainly had heard no men-

Graham certainly had heard no mention of a scheme.

Mr. DuVernet repeated his scheme questions in various forms, to which Mr. Grahom gave an emphatic and unwavering denial as to hearing Lott make the statement suggested.

"Then the conversation did not take place?"

"Not in my hearing."

Get No Letters.

The analy same mentioned by Lott "Not particularly.

The only name mentioned by Lott, so far as Mr. Graham could recall, was Waddell, who thought the Trent Valley Canal would carry Trenton.
Mr. Graham had no correspondence

with him. Mr. DuVernet remarked that poli-Mr. DuVernet remarked that political correspondence was generally destroyed.

Mr. Graham could not recall a telegram from E. J. Walsh, nor did he remember a wire from B. O. Lott, 'Mulholland and Farley at Ottawa to-morrow. Their representations should be heeded.'

Graham's Final Statement.

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After a dozen interrogations by Mr. DuVernet as to Shibley and Lott, Mr. Graham made this statement: "Neither from first to last, neither by themselves nor through others, neither to me nor to another, were insinuations made to me as to the use of bogus ballot boxes, nor were they ever referred to. The telegram from Belleville on election day was the first intimation I received."

Mr. Graham said he had no relations with Mr. Vance, the assistant organizer.

When Mr. Robinette arose, Mr. Du-Vernet having concluded, Mr. DuVernet was inclined to object, but the court ruled that Mr. Robinette was at liberty to question Mr. Graham.

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Mr. Robinette merely observed,
Mr. Graham, can you tell us when
Port Arthur will fall?" Mr. Graham

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McCOIG IS THE CHOICE

Unanimously Nominated to Contest West Kent in the Liberal Interests

Premier Ross Telephoned and Tele-graphed this Morning Insisting on This Choice

A good convention of the West Kent Liberals was held in the I. O. O. F. Auditorium this afternoon, commencing shortly after two Sclock The convention was called for the purpose of appointing a candidate to contest the riding of West Kent against James Clancy in the com-

ng Provincial elections. Although the convention was not as large nor as enthus astic as the recent Libera!-Conservative convention which nominated Mr. Clancy, it was a good representative meeting.

Shortly before two o'clock the dele gates commenced to arrive, and when the convention finally opened the hall was about three-quarters filled with people. As Ald. Archie McCoig entered the hall he was given a round

entered the hall he was given a round of app'aus, as was also Frank Tschrhart. President Stone called the meeting to order and in doing so he said:

"We are here to appo'nt a delegate. There is already a Conservative man in the field who is a good qualified canvasser. We lost the last election largely on account of the fact that we did not have a good organization, but I believe that we will work hard during the coming election which we believe is near at hand."

The following gentlemen were appointed a committee on resolutions:

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John A. Wa'ker, Edwin Bell, James Perre, Geo. Oliver and Peter Damara.
The appointment of officers was then gone on with. Mr. Stone asked for an additional Vice-President.
During the last election the work fell upon a few of the officers of the Association and the work is quite heavy.

heavy.

O. L. Lewis thought that the same off ears should be elected. They are now in harness and the Reformers needed to have good workers in the feld, and that was his reason tor re-electing them. He also proposed Mr. David King the additional Vice-President. This suggestion of Mr. Lewis was unanimously carried by the meeting upon being seconded by S. Somers.

President Stone then called upon Mr. Pardo and said of him:

"He has been a satisfactory repre-

Mr. Pardo and said of him:

"He has been a satisfactory representative at Toronto—a grand old man. He has been one of the best representatives we have ever had."

Mr. Pardo was greeted with round upon round of applause. He thanked the convention for their grand reception. He did not know it was possible for any man to have so many friends as he believed he had.
"I have been successful in three "I have been successful in three campaigns," said he. "I started old in life and at that age one does not create the desire to stay there even if you have the friends to put you there, and I believe I have friends who would. But we have got a younger man who I know will carry the election without any trouble. He has been a little timid and doesn't want to take it, but he doesn't know ow nice it is to get in a good fight,

man. A voice—Stand the brunt. Mr. Pardo—I do not wish to do so unless it is necessary for me to do

Then I know we have got a go

A. B. McCoig—Well, it is.

Mr. Pardo—The Conservatives are anxious to get in the fight. I am out of it. I am not a candidate, but I will assist any man, and I'm sure you won't lose your votes if you vote for him. I was sorry you fost the last election. There was no organization. The country was too quiet. In all probability there will be an election pretty soon. Parties are evenly divided in Toronto now and I think the government is doing wisely in calling a general election just now.

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Olly Oarpet Ball Bowling League Standing.

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