

CHARGES WIDE CORRUPTION IN GIMLI CONTEST

Manitoba Legislature Hears Accusation That Public Moneys Were Corruptly Employed for Candidate.

LIBERAL CITES A HUNDRED INSTANCES

Bribery Was Extensively Used in By-Election — Startling Accusations Create Profound Sensation in West.

WINNIPEG, Feb. 7.—Sweeping charges of corruption and intimidation by provincial government workers in the Gimli by-election of last May were made in the provincial legislature by T. H. Johnson, Liberal member for West Winnipeg, early this morning, and created a sensation. Gimli was carried by L. E. Taylor for the Roblin Government. The charges will probably be probed after the government has replied. Mr. Johnson opened the matter by reading the following statement in the house: "I, on my responsibility as a member of this house, charge that public moneys were improperly and corruptly employed in influencing electors to vote for E. L. Taylor at the by-election in the constituency of Gimli on the 12th day of May, 1913, clear evidence of which is to be found in items in the public accounts aggregating some ninety-three thousand dollars expended directly by the government, that bribery was extensively practiced in this by-election on behalf of E. L. Taylor; that corrupt treating was carried on throughout the constituency to a degree never before known; that liquor was freely dispensed by the agent of Taylor in local option territory and elsewhere; that intimidation was largely practiced; that employees of the Manitoba Government and officers of the law were personally guilty of acts of intimidation, bribery, corrupt treating and distribution of liquor; that violators of the law were protected by officers of the government charged with enforcement of the law and order; that prominent among the workers and agents of E. L. Taylor were owners, managers, employees and habitues of notorious saloons and clubs of that class; that this campaign of corruption, intimidation, bribery and illegal use of liquor was directed and managed by prominent members of the Manitoba Legislature." Johnson also cited over 100 special instances of alleged corrupt practices during the Gimli campaign. The government has not yet replied.

GROCER OPENED DOOR, SMELT GAS, RAN FOR POLICE

Two Constables Get to House Just in Time to Save Mrs. James Long, 134 Brunswick Avenue

When Robert Graham, a grocer, knived at 134 Brunswick avenue, at noon Saturday and failed to get an answer, he stepped into the hallway and was met by the fumes of escaping gas. Without waiting to further investigate, the grocer ran with all speed to the new No. 11 police station, a considerable distance away, and when much delay arrived back at the house in company with two constables. In the meantime Mrs. James Long, the wife of a Toronto street railway motorman, was lying unconscious in her bedroom with the fumes of escaping gas getting stronger. When the police came on the scene no time was lost in opening the door and window of the room in which the woman was found, but it was with difficulty that she was revived. A little more delay and it would have been too late to save her. The police explanation of the matter was that the woman was either sick or despondent.

SIR HENRY MENTIONED FOR LONDON POSITION

MONTREAL, Feb. 7.—One of the topics much discussed here, especially among bankers and business men, is that of successor to the late Lord Strathcona as high commissioner in London. It is, however, conceded that it is likely to be either a Toronto man, or a member of the present government, or someone prominent in Canadian politics. One Toronto man mentioned by bankers and brokers here is Sir Henry Pellatt, who they admit here is well posted in Canadian financial and commercial affairs, has social position, has lots of means and probably would be willing to go to London for a time.

ARRESTED FOR ST. KITTS POLICE

When John Merithew left St. Catharines more than a year ago, it is alleged he had with him two valuable sets of harness. On Saturday the Toronto police received word from St. Catharines that the man had been seen in Toronto, and a few hours later he was arrested on Simcoe street by Detectives Newton and Montgomery. He will be taken back to St. Catharines to face the long standing charge.

The Secret Force Against Annexation of Suburbs

Turns on the Fate of the Seven Licenses in York Township.

The Brewers and all the Trade Are Behind the Seven Thus Affected.

Whence comes a lot of the opposition to the annexation of the suburbs of Toronto? Many people would like to know. It crops up in the city council and it crops up, or rather fails to crop up, at other places, tho it gets in its work all the same. The World was told, with good reason, that this powerful but quiet opposition is inspired by the liquor interests because of the effect, probably the unfair effect, annexation would have on the seven licenses in York Township. Certainly the aldermen who swing their arms and voices against annexation of every kind are not enemies of the trade. It is the only means the owners of these licenses have of defending their investments, and doubtless they are backed by the brewers and liquor trade generally. Here are some details that show how it works out: Licenses in York Township: 1 at Todmorden (East). 1 at O'Sullivan's Corners (East). 1 at York Mills (Yonge street). 1 at Cherry's (West, near Elia). 1 at Fairbank (West). 2 at Lambton (West). Four of these licenses (one at Todmorden, two at Lambton, one at Fairbank), are in the immediate annexation belt, and would therefore have to disappear if the city were extended up to St. Clair on the east side, and a quarter of a mile north of Eglinton on the west side, as the city cannot by the law, as at present, have any more licenses than the number set out in the city bylaw on the subject. But, worse than this, as far as the trade is concerned, is the fact that the votes in the township which now keep their licenses in existence as against the local option movement, will be in the city, and, therefore, non-effective thereafter in the township, and as a consequence, the local option people would easily make the rest of the township (three licenses) dry. The bulk of the British voters all round the city are opposed to a dry belt. The World's informant, therefore, says that either Hon. Mr. Hanna or the city itself, ought, in all fairness to the parties concerned, make a provision in the law, or bylaw, that in case any hotel in the Township of York be taken into the city the number in the city ought automatically to be increased by the number so taken in; and then, if the citizens care thereafter to reduce the number there might still be some of the hotels left in the outskirts. North Toronto and West Toronto were dry when they came in and safe still so. East Toronto and Norway came in wet with five, and now have only three in the city. The city license board wiped two of them out. It is not likely that any opposition will develop to the annexation of 30 acres of the Danforth Glebe estates on Monday, because no licenses, or voters for that matter, are concerned.

GIRL IN FACTORY WORE \$2000 COMB

(Special to The Sunday World) NEW YORK, Feb. 7.—Two weeks last month the diamond and pearl hair comb of Anna Held, the actress, valued at \$2000, adorned the raven locks of Rosie Fuciano as she engaged in her daily toil in an east side paper box factory. This period immediately followed Jan. 1, when Miss Held lost the ornament from her hair while walking from the Cafe Beau Arto to the stage door of the Casino Theatre. Rosie's mother, Marie, found the comb and took it to her home. Some of Rosie's schoolmates told her that the ornament was made of real diamonds and pearls and Rosie intrusted it to a cousin, who took it to Sellinger's pawnshop. The pawnbroker advanced \$25 on the hairpin to the joy and amazement of the Fuciano family. Detective Dave Brown, who had been hunting for the lost property ever since Miss Held reported the case to the police, found it in Sellinger's pawnshop. By tracing the address of the nephew, Brown unearthed the story of the finding of the ornament. Miss Held has been notified that she can call at Sellinger's and get her property. It is unlikely that she will take any steps against the Fucianos.

HON. G. A. COX'S WILL TO BE PUBLISHED SOON

Charitable Institutions Are Expected to Receive Bequests From Late Senator.

It is expected that the terms of the will of the late Hon. G. A. Cox, and the amount involved, will be made public within the next week. It is said that a number of bequests have been made to charitable institutions in Toronto and other parts of the country. According to E. W. Cox, his father disposed of the major portion of his estate some time ago, and that the bulk of the fortune which he left is in the form of trust deeds.

SUBS MAIL FOR \$20,000.

Twenty thousand dollars is the sum asked for damages by Sir John Willison and Toronto News in a joint suit for libel against The Toronto Mail. The suit is the result of the charge that a report that Sir James Whitney was dead was born in The News office.

PHONE RATES STAND.

North Toronto is again denied a reduction in telephone rates. Toronto's application to the Dominion Railway Board for the reduction has been dismissed.

ONE MORTGAGE IS PLACED ON NINE BLOCKS

St. James' Church Authorities Blanket Loan of Sixty Thousand Dollars on Properties East of Parliament St.

OVER THREE HUNDRED STORES AND DWELLINGS

Record Mortgage for City in Number of Properties Involved—Land All Out on Long Leases.

Probably the largest blanket mortgage for the number of properties involved, that has ever been put thru in Toronto, has just been consummated by St. James' Church, which has raised \$60,000 from the North British Mercantile Insurance Company on some of their east-end properties. The mortgage covers the area bounded on the north by Wilton avenue, on the east by Sackville street, on the south by Sydenham street, and on the west by Parliament street. Altogether in the neighborhood of 300 stores or dwellings are affected. There are nine distinct blocks, as St. David street runs east and west between Sydenham and Wilton. On Parliament street alone there are thirty odd stores or dwellings. Several small streets and lanes, such as Regent's Place, Sutton avenue and Blair avenue, besides unnamed thoroughfares are included. Altho this mortgage is not an exceedingly large one it is doubtful if another in Toronto covers so many parcels. The district in which the property lies is one of the oldest sections of the city, and for the most part the dwellings and stores covered by the mortgage are not modern. Most of the houses have very shallow back yards, while the district is badly cut up with narrow lanes called streets or avenues. From time to time many uncomplimentary remarks have been made against the church for not keeping their holdings in a better condition. The property is leased in twenty-one year terms. One of the officials of St. James' Cathedral, in speaking to The Sunday World, said that the object of the mortgage was to satisfy a loan from the North British Mercantile Insurance Company. The finances of the church had previously been run by issuing debentures, but this plan has been discarded.

THE DANFORTH ANNEXATION.

The vote of the board of control recommending to the city council the annexation of eighty acres at the northeast corner of Leslie and Danforth is attracting a lot of discussion in the district. It is believed that the three members for ward one have a scheme on hand for taking in everything up to the Canadian Northern in the Don valley (about St. Clair avenue) and as far east as the Scarborough town line. An interesting map showing the territory in question with a full discussion of Greater Toronto and annexation will be found on page ten of this issue.

Locked in Train, Then Sent To Death in Burning Tunnel

This is Report of How Ten American Railway Men Met Death at Hands of Mexican Bandits.

JUAREZ, Feb. 7.—Definite information of the fate of the ten American railroad men captured by Mexican bandits, was still lacking today, altho in this city railroad officials were disposed to discredit the rumor that they, or at least six of them who were on the passenger train, were locked in the train and sent to their deaths in the blazing Cumbre tunnel. Circumstances thus far learned are against the truth of the rumor. According to P. C. Thebe, superintendent of the Pearson plant at El Paso, the train stopped at the station of Cumbre. This is only a quarter of a mile from the big Cumbre tunnel, and Mr. Thebe said that in that distance the train could not have gained sufficient momentum to bring on a wreck so that all persons in the train would have been killed. There were about five Mexican passengers. The rumors were started by a Mexican who is now believed to have been instructed to tell that story to delay pursuit of the bandits and their prisoners. There were six Americans on the passenger train, and two American conductors and two American engineers on the freight which was a double-header, and was set on fire to destroy the tunnel. A number of Mexican trainmen are also missing. Two Mexicans who left the train at Cumbre said the passenger was not held up, but ran into the tunnel innocent of the danger. The fact that none of the crew or passengers have been seen since, altho four days have elapsed, was reckoned as the surest evidence of their fate, for which Maximo Castillo, who failed to leave warning that he had set a freight train on fire in the tunnel, was regarded as responsible.

MURDERED WIFE OF HER LOVER AND THEN TOOK POISON

Mystery of "Veiled Woman" Was Solved When Young Girl Committed Suicide.

NEWARK, New Jersey, Feb. 7. Hazel Herdman, a girl of 20, infatuated with Charles F. Manning, shot and killed Mrs. Harriet Manning in her home here last night. This was the announcement made by the Newark police this afternoon. The girl is dying in the Mountain-side Hospital at Montclair, N.J., of poison taken with suicidal intent. Learning that a young woman had been taken to the institution in an auto, the police seized upon it as a clue to the mysterious shooting of Mrs. Manning. Miss Herdman was the woman detained by the police and questioned last night but was released. She died at 3:10 o'clock. Her mother was at her bedside. Miss Herdman was the daughter of Arthur J. Herdman, an hotel proprietor. The father said this afternoon that he had opposed his daughter's association with Manning, but that notwithstanding this the two had been going together for years.

DECLARATION OF WAR BY M'NAB IS WEEK'S BIG EVENT

Sir Hugh Graham's Whole Newspaper Life is Known by Man Who Now Attacks Him.

(Special to The Sunday World.) OTTAWA, Feb. 7.—The situation in Quebec and Montreal is watched here with even keener interest as things develop from day to day. The outstanding event of the enquiry at Quebec on Friday so far as the politicians here are concerned and perhaps even more so as far as the people of Montreal are concerned, was the declaration of war against Sir Hugh Graham by Brenton Macnab, the editor of The Montreal Mail, during the proceedings of the investigating committee. Mr. Macnab knows Graham's newspaper record and his life for twenty-five years past, and the two of them worked in the most intimate fashion in many things that have more or less started the Canadian public, especially at election times, and they also worked together in connection with legislation secured from time to time at Quebec dealing with Montreal franchises. No one doubts now that Macnab has entered on a fight with his former chief, altho it must always be remembered as in the case of Lorne McGibbon, that fights of this kind may come to an end by some kind of settlement and truce. For instance, Lorne McGibbon swore by all the prophets that he would spend all his fortune in exposing Graham and stopping him getting an extension of money from the "Tranways" franchise. Lorne has sold out his newspaper interest to Sir Hugh, tho the feud may be on in some other quarter. Perhaps Sir Hugh got the papers and Macnab got the evidence against Sir Hugh! It is not likely, however, that either Macnab or his partner—E. M. Nichols—will consent to any saw-off or treaty of peace with Graham. People say Hugh Graham is very clever and very discreet; it will probably turn out that he was very rich and very foolish and that he made a lot of money outside of his newspaper and that he spent a great deal of that money in the wildest kind of political schemes, some of the latter being in the interest of the Conservative party. Nor does anybody now doubt that Sir Hugh Graham was the chief backer of the Nationalists in the row they raised in Quebec in the last election over the naval policy, and no one doubts now that Graham has been running Conservative papers and Liberal papers at the same time, and that Hon. W. S. Fielding yesterday's be his henchman in one side of this game; nor is there any doubt that at times Graham was able to inspire articles in French papers that were against Canadian naval assistance to the mother country; nor is there any doubt that while Graham has been shouting for years for municipal reform in Montreal he has been assisting to secure legislation and franchises that meant demoralization of the municipal government of that city. Like to Withdraw Knighthood. Sir Wilfrid Laurier and all his followers, too, have a crow to pick with Sir Hugh. They have been in negotiations with him at times and it is believed that the knighthood which Sir Hugh received from the Liberals would be withdrawn now if they had power to do so. Liberals here now say it was one of the greatest mistakes. But in spite of this another outstanding feature of yesterday's investigation at Quebec was that apparently Sir Hugh Graham has been able to fix up some kind of treaty with Sir Lomer Gouin, and Sir Lomer inspired his chairman of the investigating committee not to make Sir Hugh answer the questions Mr. Macnab put to him and which touched upon the ownership of The Montreal Herald and the proposed legislation at Quebec in favor of a

CONSPIRACY TO PREVENT A VOTE WON'T SUCCEED

Council on Monday Will Likely Pass Amendment That Will Defeat Hopes of Those Who Would Kill Deal.

FACTS LEARNED FROM COMPANY'S REPORT

Figures on Earnings Lend Further Weight to Opinion That People Should Be Allowed to Express Minds

From the moment that Mayor Hocken announced that he had opened negotiations for a clean-up of the franchises there has been a conspiracy to break up the negotiations. Evidence of this conspiracy has been persistent. Two methods have been adopted by the conspirators. One is to inoculate the people with the idea that Mayor Hocken and his supporters have not the ability to handle a thirty million business proposition. The other is to work up suspicion that a perpetual franchise for the radicals will be fastened upon the city. Mayor Hocken and his supporters have proved beyond a doubt that they have the ability to handle a thirty million business proposition. They are now proving that perpetual franchises for the radicals will not be fastened upon the city. There are two reasons for the conspiracy to break up the negotiations. One is the hatred The Telegram has for Mayor Hocken since he threw out of the city hall the influence of that newspaper. The Telegram wants anything to defeat any plan Mayor Hocken has for the benefit of the city. The other reason is that private ownership of public utilities supplies extraordinary profits to the capitalist class. That class would do anything to check the advance of the public ownership movement. The Globe is the organ of that class. Sound Business Proposition. The Telegram and The Globe have supported the conspiracy in every possible way, and will probably continue to do so until further conspiracy is useless. Toronto's other four newspapers have strenuously fought this conspiracy and will probably continue to fight it until the negotiations for the clean-up of the franchises are successfully carried thru. Mayor Hocken and his supporters have proved thru neutral experts that the clean-up of the franchises at the price asked is a sound business proposition. Further proof of the soundness of the proposition is given in the financial report of the Toronto Railway Company for 1913 recently issued. Here it is in simple form: The gross earnings were \$6,049,018.92. Operating expenses, \$3,137,308.66. Percentage of earnings paid the city, \$989,990.98. Taxes and paving between tracks, \$156,100.50. Interest on bonds, etc., \$185,806.73. Left surplus earnings, \$1,628,812.82, which are certainly extraordinary profits. A Statement of Upkeep. To make that financial statement a basis for figuring out how the earnings of the railway would provide the money for paying off the debt when the city takes over the system, the city takes over the system, the

FIRST PICTURE OF STRATHCONA FUNERAL



On very few occasions has London paid such tributes to the dead as it paid to the late Lord Strathcona which he was buried from Westminster Abbey on Jan. 29. Representatives of the Crown and from all the leading embassies were present at the services in the Abbey, which had not seen such a gathering since the memorial services to the late Ambassador Reid over a year ago. The picture shows the lowering of the coffin in the grave.

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