

LIBERALS GAINED THREE SEATS IN THE POLLING ON FRIDAY

Each Side Has Gained a
Total of 21 Seats in
497 Contests.

GOVT. MAJORITY OF 47 RECORDED

Premier Asquith Is Again Elect-
ed—Unionists Sustained
Unexpected Losses
Yesterday.

FRIDAY'S GAINS.
Government..... 21
Unionists..... 21

RECAPITULATION.
Seats in House..... 670
Seats Held From..... 497
Seats To Be Polling..... 173

STANDING OF PARTIES.
Government..... 178
Nationalists..... 55
Independent Nationalists..... 32
Labor..... 272

Opposition.
Unionists..... 225
Government Majority..... 47

THE PARTY GAINS.
Coalition.
The Liberal and Labor gains to date are: Manchester, S. W., Rochester, Peckham, Exeter, Wakefield, Cheltenham, Woolwich, Sunderland (two seats), Whitehaven, Coventry, Burnley, Southwark West, Stepney, Bow and Bromley, Bedford, Radnorshire, Lincolnshire East, Cumberland, Essex and Suffolk.—21.

Unionists.
Unionist gains to date: Salford S., Ashton-under-Lyne, Warrington, Darlington, King's Lynn, Grimsby, Wigan, West St. Pancras, North Islington, Liverpool (Exchange), Birkenhead, St. Helen's, Plymouth (two seats), Dudley, Cardiff, Newton division Lancashire, Melton division Leicestershire, Eskdale division Cumberland, Lancashire (Darwen), Cheshire (Altrincham).—21.

[Associated Press.]
London, Dec. 10.—A Liberal gain of three seats from the Unionists on the returns announced today, once more equalized the tally, the coalitionists and the Unionists having captured 21 seats from the other.

The Liberal gain the Cockerworth division of Cumberland, where Sir Wilfrid Lawson won with a majority of 511 over his successful opponent of last January, Sir J. S. Randses, was not unexpected.

However, the Unionists had not contemplated such an early loss of the Saffron Walden division of Essex, and the Lowestoft division of Suffolk, from which constituencies they had turned out the Liberals in the preceding elections.

Premier Elected.
Premier Asquith comes back to the House of Commons from the east division of Fife with a majority 260 less than he received before, while Col. Spott, his Unionist opponent, increased his vote by 247.

In the election returns so far complete tonight the Government coalition has a lead over the Opposition of 47 seats in the new parliament. The state of the parties this evening is:
Government Coalition—Liberals 178, Nationalists 55, Independent Nationalists 7, Labor members 32, Total, 272.
Opposition—Unionists 225.

Healy's Defeat.
Outside of the defeat of Timothy Healy, Nationalist, in his old constituency, Louth, which is attributed to Cardinal Logue, who last January voted for Healy, forbidding the priests to participate in the election, Friday's results did not produce any surprise, unless it was in the failure of the Liberals to recapture Denbigh. The result in this Welsh borough is characteristic of the whole election. W. Ormsby-Gore won the seat last January by eight votes, and this time he increased his majority by one vote, although the polling on both sides fell off.

Offered a Seat.
Mr. Frewen has offered his seat for Cork to Mr. Healy, but Healy has declined it, for he intends to try to upset the election at Louth of Richard Hazleton, Nationalist, alleging illegal practices on the part of his opponents.

Two members of the cabinet, Premier Asquith and Reginald McKenna, first lord of the admiralty, were involved in Friday's contest. Mr. McKenna obtained a re-election at Monmouthshire North, although he was unable personally to take part in the campaign because he recently underwent an operation. Mr. Asquith was also victorious.

The Liberal Majorities.
The Liberal majorities in Lancashire—Continued on Page Eleven.

BIG LOOP RADIAL TO TAKE IN LONDON

Imperial Traction Company Is
Seeking Incorporation
at Ottawa.

[Special to The Advertiser.]
Ottawa, Dec. 10.—A company to be known as the Imperial Traction Company is applying for incorporation with power to build loop line taking in Hamilton, Guelph, Berlin, Stratford, St. Marys, London, Ingersoll, Woodstock, Brantford and back to Hamilton. It is proposed to take ten lines to Niagara Falls and Sarnia. The Sarnia branch will likely be started from a point between Stratford and St. Marys, and that to the Falls from near Hamilton.

KILLED HIS FATHER AND THEN SUICIDED

Young Man Was in Poor Health
and Probably Insane.

[G. N. W. Dispatch.]
Sherbrooke, Que., Dec. 10.—News of a dreadful tragedy reached here this morning from Danville, a man meeting his death at the hands of his son, who afterwards took his own life. The man was James Houston, sen., and James Houston, jun., the former was found dead in the furnace-room, where he had been working with his son, with evidences that he had been killed by a blow on the head with a hammer. On investigation being made, the body of the son was found with his throat and body cut in a dreadful manner. The injuries being apparently self-inflicted. The son, who returned from Victoria, B. C., only a short time ago, had been in poor health of late.

SIX MONTHS TO QUIT COUNTY GIVES CITY

And Will Attempt to Collect
Arrears in Rent From
Municipality.

The county council this morning carried the motion put by Reeve C. W. Hawshaw, of Lucan, to eject the city from the county property on the corner of King and Thames streets.

The city will be given six months' notice to vacate and steps will be immediately taken to collect \$200, rent for the premises. The understanding with the county was that the city would pay \$100 a year, but for the past two years but \$5 has been paid. If necessary legal steps will be taken to collect the arrears.

It is said that the county has no particular use for the property at present, but the city will be given notice to remove all buildings which have been erected, leaving only the foundations.

One of the councillors suggested that the place would be very fine as a playground, but the general impression was that after having the use of the place for the past twenty years the city has no legitimate grievance in being asked to leave now.

The buildings in question are used by the waterworks department and the city treasurer this morning paid out \$644.36 as expenses to the county councillors. The petit jurors at the county court, which closed yesterday, drew \$527.99, and the grand jurors \$186.72.

BRYAN IS AGAINST A WALL STREET MAN

Says He Will Not Stand for Anyone
of That ilk Running for
Presidency.

Lincoln, Neb., Dec. 12.—William J. Bryan has served notice on the Democratic party that he will be flatly against the nomination of an Eastern candidate for the presidency in 1912, who bears any taint of Wall Street. In an editorial in his Commoner, Bryan has written the party to be more radical today than ever before. He says:

"The Democrats are being asked to accept Wall Street leadership—not because of any Democratic principle advanced, but because Wall Street promises victory. In 1892 the Democratic party won a victory on the tariff issue but as soon as the election was over, the Wall Street financiers demanded the unconditional repeal of the Sherman law, and secured thereby a shameful use of patronage by the coercion they now so well know how to practice. And what was the result? A Republican triumph more sweeping than any before, and more sweeping than any since, excepting 1904, when Wall Street again promised victory. The defeats of 1896, 1900, and 1908 were not so disastrous as the defeats of 1894 and 1904."

TRAINING IN SCHOOLS.
[G. N. W. Dispatch.]
Ottawa, Dec. 9.—The executive committee of the Strathcona Trust is in Ottawa today conferring with the members of the militia council regarding details of the administration of the fund to promote physical and military training in the schools.

HOLIDAYS ON MONDAY.
Ottawa, Dec. 8.—An order-in-council has been passed making Monday, Dec. 26, and Monday, Jan. 2, public holidays, as Christmas and New Year's Day fall on Sundays.



MISS BARBARA GILCHRIST.
Who was recommended by No. 1 committee of the board of education yesterday for the position of visiting nurse.

SEVEN MEN WERE KILLED IN CROW'S NEST MINE

An Awful Catastrophe Reported
From British Columbia
Coal Fields.

[Special to The Advertiser.]
Calgary, Dec. 10.—A terrific explosion occurred in the Western Canada collieries mine at Bellvue in the Crow's Nest Pass last night. Forty-five men are entombed. Out of twenty men removed, seven are dead, and the others badly burned. The victims are all either Italians or Swedes.

ENGLAND MAY FORCE KOMURA TO RESIGN

Has Had Very Serious Differences
of Opinion With
Others.

[Associated Press.]
Tokyo, Dec. 9.—The resignation of Count Komura, minister of foreign affairs, must be regarded as an event of the not far distant future. Protracted ill-health may be given as the primary cause when the announcement is made, but there are other causes leading up to that which will be generally regarded in Japan as an unfortunate necessity. Of late it has been an open secret that differences of opinions existed between Marquis Kasuetsu and his minister of foreign affairs.

The new tariff law enacted this year goes into effect next July, and the negotiations for conventions form the groundwork for these differences. Perhaps the effect of the statutory tariff upon foreign relations was not given sufficient consideration, but at any rate, Japan's ally, Great Britain, has been giving much trouble to the foreign office in this connection.

Ambassador Kato, in London, it is reported, has not been in full sympathy with his Government, or rather has advocated more liberal dealing with Great Britain as an ally. The result is that there will be changes in the statutory tariff, or conventional tariffs must be made alongside of the statute.

Count Komura's friends assert that he was misled into making certain statements, which he is now obliged to retract, or would be obliged, if he were a party to the changes now contemplated, consequently the resignation.

A canvass of the situation in the search for Count Komura's successor would probably result in the nomination of Mr. Kato himself, and his removal from London may be regarded as not unlikely.

ROBERT MARSHALL KILLED.

Saskatoon, Dec. 9.—Robert Marshall, aged 33, an employee of the C. P. R. Telegraph Company since March, died instantly this morning, as a result of a fall from a pole on which he was working. He was a native of Scotland, and had a brother living somewhere in Ontario.

BURNED FATHER'S BARN.

Cayuga, Dec. 10.—Lloyd Smelser, came up for trial before Judge Douglas on a charge of burning his father's barn, and was found guilty. R. S. Colter conducted the defence and Attorney J. A. Murphy prosecuted. The charge of evidence was connected up by two detectives from Noble's Agency. The judge deferred sentence until Dec. 20.

The charge against Mrs. Amelia Smelser, of issuing threatening letters, was withdrawn at the request of the crown attorney, Lloyd pleaded guilty previously to issuing threatening letters, and will be sentenced on both charges on Dec. 20.

THE WEATHER

FORECASTS.
Toronto, Dec. 10—8 a.m.
Today—Moderate to fresh southeasterly with light snowfalls.
Sunday—Fresh to strong westerly with northerly winds; mostly fair and colder, with some light local snowfalls or flurries.

TEMPERATURES.
Stations. Max. Min. Weather.
Victoria..... 46 40 Clear
Calgary..... 24 8 Clear
Winnipeg..... 20 12 Fair
Port Arthur..... 20 16 Cloudy
Toronto..... 8 8 Fair
Ottawa..... 6 8 Clear
Montreal..... 4 2 Clear
Quebec..... 14 4 Fair
Father Point..... 20 8 Cloudy
Minus (—) means low zero.

WEATHER NOTES.
Very cold weather prevails from the lake region to the Maritime Provinces, with temperatures considerably below zero in northern districts.
A shallow depression is centred over the upper lake region, accompanied by light snowfalls.
Colder weather is again setting in over the Western Provinces.

MISS BARBARA GILCHRIST MADE VISITING NURSE

Graduate of Victoria Hospital
Appointed to the City
Schools.

At the meeting of No. 1 committee of the board of education held Friday afternoon, Miss Barbara Gilchrist, assistant superintendent of the Niagara Falls Hospital, was recommended to be appointed visiting nurse for the schools of this city. There were many applications, but hers was the most acceptable. Her salary will be \$800 per annum.

Miss Gilchrist graduated from Victoria Hospital in June, 1910, taking the bronze medal. Prior to taking up nursing she taught for three years, and is in that respect quite familiar with the work required of her.

THE FINAL SESSION OF COUNTY COUNCIL

All Business Disposed Of and
Two New Bylaws Passed
Today.

The final session of Middlesex county council for 1910 was held this morning, when all business on hand from June last was disposed of. Two new bylaws were carried, one naming Mr. Trenchard as continuing the county's representative to Victoria Hospital, and the other authorizing the redemption of \$40,000 of debentures.

The proposal to erect a county hospital at the site of the old St. George's Hospital, which was carried last year, was laid over until January, when the new council will be given an opportunity to wrestle with the problem.

A special committee composed of Messrs. Gilchrist, Miller, Macle and Hoggins was selected to superintend the repairs to the county jail.

SAYS THAT HE HELPED RAID CHICKENCOOP

Witness Testifies That Companion
Choked and Carried Off
Thirty Birds.

Charles Lancaster was brought before Judge Macbeth at the court house this morning to answer a charge of having stolen 30 chickens from Alfred G. Taylor, of the Base Line.

Donald Snell was the chief witness called by the prosecution, and swore that he and Lancaster arranged to commit the theft, and that they remained at a King street hotel on the night in question until after the closing of the bars, when they started out to Taylor's place. He said that Lancaster broke the window in the chicken house, and entered, choking some thirty birds, and handing them out to be placed in bags by the witness. Snell said that he helped carry the bags to Taylor's place, and saw the chickens being carried off to the barn, and reposed in a hay stack until morning.

Taylor was also placed on the stand, and told of the number and the quality of the stolen chickens. The case is in progress.

Lancaster was remanded until Tuesday, when the judge will give his decision.

WAS FINED \$100

Leamington Man Had Cased Whiskey
Hidden in His Barn.

[G. N. W. Dispatch.]
Leamington, Dec. 10.—About a week ago Chief of Police Booth and Local Option Detective Smith raided the barn of Charles Chambers and found some cased whiskey, which is contraband goods in Leamington. Information was given to the police by a reliable source, and the search for the whiskey was kept secret. Mr. Chambers' trial came off yesterday, with the result that he was fined \$100, with the option of paying his fine on the day of conviction or go to jail. Chambers, having plenty of friends in town, soon had the amount necessary to pay the fine, and was released. He is free again. There was no evidence proving that Chambers had sold or offered for sale any spirituous liquor, but this did not save him, as the law is strict in this respect. The contraband goods were consigned to another party from some boat plying on Lake Erie, and he had been engaged to deliver them at Point Pelee.

MONEY FOR NURSES' HOME.

Niagara Falls, Dec. 12.—The clock on the city hall, which registers the amount collected for the \$10,000 nurses' home here as a King Edward memorial, reached the \$9,000 mark today. A generous donation of \$2,500 was made by the Canadian Niagara Power Company, and \$500 came from the Ontario Power Company.

HAS BEEN IDENTIFIED.

[G. N. W. Dispatch.]
Montreal, Dec. 9.—The Canadian picked up by the London police wandering on the Thames Embankment a few weeks ago, with his memory of a complete blank, has been positively identified as Raymond F. Way, of Tamworth, Ont. The discovery was made through the publication of a man's photograph and description in the press. Mr. Way's father, who is in the insurance business, on seeing the photo, recognized it as that of his son, who he had not seen for many years. He was suffering from a mystery how he came to go to London.

MR. FIELDING IMPROVING.

Ottawa, Dec. 9.—Mr. W. S. Fielding is now at Old Point Comfort, Va., where he expects to remain for some time. Advice received here state that his health is steadily improving, and that the facial paralysis from which he was suffering when he left Ottawa is gradually disappearing.

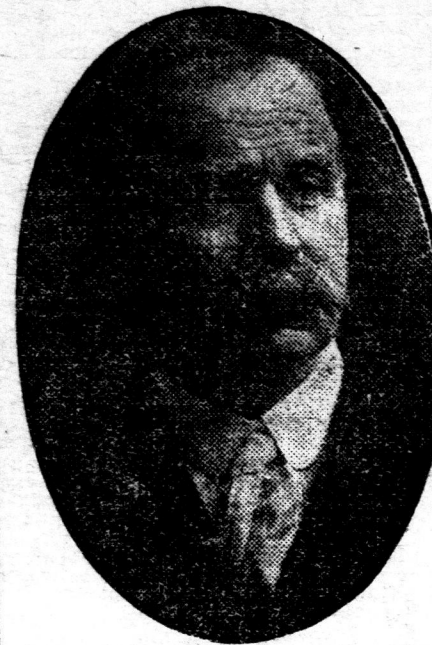


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MR. D. S. CAMPBELL.
Warden of Middlesex, Who Was Presented With a Gold Watch by His Fellow-Councillors.

SURGEON OPERATED AND DROPPED DEAD

Famous Physician Worked for
Three Hours to Finish
Work.

[Associated Press.]
Chicago, Dec. 9.—Dr. J. Hequemberg, a prominent surgeon, dropped dead in St. Joseph's Hospital just after he had successfully performed a delicate operation. "I'm not feeling well," said the surgeon, as he entered the operating room, "but this work must be done."

For three hours the surgeon worked on the man who lay on the operating table.

"It's over; he will live," announced the surgeon when the work had been completed. "But I am feeling badly. I must lie down," he added in a moment.

On his way to a rest room the surgeon gave a gasp, threw up his hands, and fell dead to the floor. Heart disease was given as the cause of death.

HAND BADLY BURNED BY BOILING SUGAR

Employee of a Wholesale Confectionery Company Meets With a
Painful Accident.

Albert Holdaway, a young Englishman employed at D. S. Perrins, has his right hand horribly scalded yesterday, when a kettle of boiling sugar which he was carrying slopped over. The sugar had been heated to more than 300 degrees Fahrenheit, and the young Holdaway was carrying a receptacle containing about 100 pounds of it, when he bumped into a barrel. Fortunately, only the back part of his hand came in contact with the boiling sugar, which burnt into the flesh, and made a terrible wound. Holdaway was rushed to Victoria Hospital, where Dr. Burdon dressed the burns.

LOST HIS JOB

Magistrate Griffin, of Delhi, Removed
by Government's Order.

[Special to The Advertiser.]
Toronto, Dec. 10.—Magistrate J. W. Griffin, of Delhi, has been removed by Government by Attorney-General Foy, on the recommendation of the Ontario Government.

Complaints, it is alleged, have been made to the attorney-general's department by local opinion enthusiasts concerning the administration of the law, and an investigation was made by J. M. Mallone, inspector of legal officers, and on his report the removal of Mr. Griffin was recommended.

CHECK FOR SANATORIUM

McClary Foundry Employees Send
\$105.25 for Byron Institution.

Sheriff Cameron, secretary of the London Health Association, today received a check for \$105.25 from John Barred, treasurer of the McClary Foundry Consumption Sanatorium Aid Association. The McClary employees have taken a great interest in the Byron sanatorium, and their aid is greatly appreciated by the Health Association.

BILL HAS PASSED.

Edmonton, Dec. 9.—The Alberta and Great Westerns Railway bill passed its third reading in the Alberta Legislature yesterday afternoon, without amendment and without further vote. The bill provides that the proceeds from the sale of the bonds, now in the Edmonton banks, be turned into the general funds of the province. The second reading, it will be remembered, carried by 25 to 1 votes, after proposed amendments had been defeated.

DIED IN CHINA.

Toronto, Dec. 10.—Word was received in Toronto this morning by cable of the death by smallpox of Mrs. Harold M. Clark at Welshwel, Honan, China. Mrs. Clark, who left Toronto only a few weeks ago for the Presbyterian mission field in Honan, was a sister of Rev. A. E. Armstrong, secretary of the Laymen's missionary movement. She was married to Mr. Clark last August.

WILL SURRENDER.

Rio de Janeiro, Dec. 10.—A naval battalion revolted, but after being cannonaded this morning, has offered to surrender.

A NEW RAILROAD.

San Juan Del Sur, Nicaragua, Dec. 10.—Several English engineers have arrived here to survey for a railroad from Rama to San Ubaldo, on the east side of Lake Nicaragua.

DUMPED THE OPIUM.

Kansas City, Dec. 10.—A wagon load of opium, valued at \$14,000, was dumped into the Missouri River here yesterday by government officials. The drug was seized in raids upon Chinese dives here last summer.

DRAMATIC SCENE AT MURDER TRIAL

Clerk Declares Woman He Sold
Revolver to Was Not
Hattie LeBlanc.

CASE MAY NOW DROP

Accused Girl's Attorney Maintains
That Absolutely No Case Has
Been Made Out Against Her.

Cambridge, Dec. 9.—One of the most dramatic moments in the trial of Hattie LeBlanc for the murder of Clarence F. Glover, of Waltham, came today, when Thomas J. Coffey, formerly a salesman in a Boston sporting goods store, testified that he had sold the revolver with which Glover is alleged to have been killed to a woman, and then as he gazed upon the smiling face of the 17-year-old defendant, he said slowly, and with positiveness, "No, that is not the woman."

Mr. Coffey, who is now studying for the priesthood at the College of the Holy Angels, Buffalo, N. Y., was unable to give a good description of the woman who purchased the weapon, further than to say that she was 35 years of age, and spoke English.

It was with the expectation that the defence would rest its case before adjournment today that the trial of Hattie LeBlanc for the murder of Clarence F. Glover, was resumed.

When court adjourned last night, Melvin M. Johnson, chief counsel for the defence, went back to the hotel. He announced that he had only a few witnesses to call to the stand, and he expected to be able to introduce the rest of the testimony before the end of today's short session. Hattie LeBlanc will not take the stand in her own defence.

The girl's attorney expressed the opinion that the prosecution has not proved any case against her, and that the defence will definitely be needed, other than the introduction by the prosecution of the transcript of the examination of the prisoner at the Waltham police station on the night of her arrest.

Alma M. Roche, formerly a domestic in the Glover home, was on the witness stand when court adjourned last night, and her cross-examination by District Attorney Higgins was begun when court opened today.

DEFENDS POLICY

Hon. MacKenzie King Speaks of New
Navy at Berlin.

Berlin, Dec. 10.—Hon. MacKenzie King was the guest of the Laurier Club here last night, and took occasion to present the naval policy of the Administration. He went back to the original resolution introduced by Hon. Geo. E. Foster, amplified by Sir Wilfrid Laurier, with the suggestions of Hon. R. Borden, and adopted by the House unanimously by Parliament. He traced the contentions of the Conservative leader and others of that party on the question since that time, emphasizing the attitude favoring broadmindedness to prosecute war, against the sane and steadfast stand of Sir Wilfrid Laurier to maintain peace.

The latest statement of Mr. Borden suggesting a referendum in the face of Parliament's unanimous action indicated the instability of Mr. Borden.

ARE NOT SATISFIED

Toronto Street Railway Investigation
May Cause Further Trouble.

[G. N. W. Dispatch.]
Toronto, Dec. 10.—We are not satisfied," said Mayor Gray this morning, with reference to the course of the Ontario railway and municipal board on the street car question. His worship intimated that the city might do something by way of obtaining redress if the railway board persisted in its support of the Toronto Railway Company's contentions, but he would not disclose what move would be made. "The board's position is absolutely untenable," said he, speaking of the postponement of the board's decision, pending a report as to whether or not the pay-as-you-enter system was properly workable on the present cars, yet permitting the system to continue until a new one was waiting. On Dec. 19 in a prayerful attitude," was all Counsel Drayton would say about the matter.

DECEMBER GRAND JURY ON COUNTY BUILDING

Finds the Jail in Excellent Shape,
Also the Hospitals.

The grand jury empanelled for the December session of the county court, which concluded its business yesterday at the courthouse, brought in a presentment that failed to do anything but laud the present county buildings, which are generally considered the legitimate prey of grand jurors. However, the fourteen men in charge at this sessions confined their remarks pretty generally to the manner in which the buildings is kept up.

SANATORIUM APPROVED.

The Byron sanatorium for consumptives was very well spoken of by the jury, expressing the hope that the county council would give the \$4,000 grant asked for by the London Health Association for the institution.

VICTORIA HOSPITAL.

Victoria Hospital, the insane asylum and the home for incurables were visited, and reported to be in excellent condition.

The jail was found in good condition and clean. A recommendation was made for an increase in the salaries of the matrons.

LIFE IMPRISONMENT.

Denver, Col., Dec. 9.—Cenkyo Mitsunga, a Japanese, has been found guilty of murder in the first degree and sentenced to life imprisonment. He was tried on the charge of murdering Mrs. Katharine Wilson, a white woman, by whom he had been hired to assist in housecleaning.

CITY NOT MAKING LIGHT CONTRACTS

Unable to Sign Up Until Rate
Problem Is Settled.

EXPERTS ON SCHEDULE

Meantime the London Electric Is Reported To Be Doing a Rushing Business.

The contest for the control of the market for electricity is on in earnest, and it must be soon decided whether the London Electric are making a strong bid for patronage.

For the past week hundreds of contracts have been signed in their office, both for domestic and commercial lighting.

Today their offices were filled with applicants, and it was stated that four men were kept busy arranging for light contracts.

Besides these there were some motor agreements arranged. This sort of business will be hard for the city to obtain, it is claimed, owing to the fact that it will cost from \$100 to \$1,000 to install new motors to take care of Niagara power. The machines at present in use are practically of no value for Falls energy, as they cannot be used for alternating current, the kind supplied by the city plant.

"We are not worrying," an official of the company informed The Advertiser. "We have been busy for days making new contracts, and we have no difficulty in getting the people to sign up. Our proposition is clear and easily understood, and that is one reason the consumers are signing with us."

The contracts are all signed for a year. This practically means thirteen months, as the agreement will run a month after the completion of the term contracted for, and it requires a month's notice to terminate.

In the meantime no contracts have been signed by the city department. As a matter of fact, there have been many applications for service, but the city has definite has been promised the prospective customers for the simple reason that power prices are somewhat in the air as yet.

THE RATE PROBLEM.