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TWENTY-SEVENTH YEAR

CHEAP NIAGARA POWER HON. ADAM BECK TO CONFERENCE MEANS MUCH TO BERLIN

**Delegates From District Endorse
Work of Power Commission
and Municipal Union, and
Pledge Active Support to
Scheme—Big Saving Reduc-
tion From Present Charges.**

Berlin, Ont., Dec. 5.—(Special.)—
Forty delegates from Galt, Guelph,
Waterloo, Berlin, Acton and Mount
Forest met in conference on the western
power question in the council
chamber here to-night.

The time was given over to a spirited
discussion of the advisability of
submitting a bylaw and the real cost
of Niagara power to this city. Mr.
Beck was enthusiastically received and
clearly outlined the scheme of the
commission, and gave a stirring ad-
dress on the opportunity of the hour.
The feature of the meeting was the
unanimous adoption of a resolution
endorsing the work done by the power
commission and the municipalities
union. The meeting pledged itself to
do all in its power to secure the sub-
mission of the necessary bylaws in the
largest possible number of municipali-
ties at the forthcoming municipal elec-
tions.

Mayor Bricker introduced Ald. J. H.
Fryer of Galt, president of the Union
of Municipalities, who stated the ob-
ject of the meeting. The discussion of
the power bill and the proposed bylaws
to be submitted in January.

Keen Interest.
J. W. Lyon, Guelph secretary-treasurer
of the union, read a synopsis of
the work done by the union. Forty-
seven municipalities had already ap-
plied for 143,600 horsepower from the
Ontario Hydro-Electric Commission,
and the interest was becoming keener
each day. The act was not a gold
brick, and the interest was widespread
from Port Arthur to Ottawa and
Montreal. He compared the cities of
Buffalo and Montreal, now in the
throes of monopoly control, with the
proposition now before the municipali-
ties. Guelph could save nearly \$100,000
a year using Niagara power.

Mayor Bricker on the question of a by-
law. He said that he would like to see
the town of Berlin would meet \$300,000
worth of debentures and the interest
thereof if Niagara power was delivered
in Berlin.

Situation in Berlin.
Cecil B. Smith gave an expert me-
morandum on the situation in Berlin.
The city was using 300 horsepower
which figured out at \$35 per horsepower,
considered on the maximum consump-
tion, or \$66 on the average consump-
tion.

This did not take in the depreciation
and interest on capital invested.
With this added, it would mean \$44 on
the maximum and \$33 on the average.
The estimate of Niagara power for
Berlin was \$17.85 to \$20.63 per horse-
power.

"These are estimates," interjected
Mr. Beck, "and figures that we think
we can live up to. If only half the
power estimated by the municipal
union was used the cost would be from
\$18 to \$23.50. We have fortified our-
selves so that we can deliver the
goods."

"The union have decided, with the
commission, that the maximum price
should be inserted in the coming by-
law."

Dr. Whitman wanted to know if elec-
tric power from Niagara would be
cheaper than the power supplied by the
present city plant.

Niagara Power Cheaper.
Mr. Beck said that Niagara power
would be much cheaper. A big saving
would be effected as soon as the
consumption grew and the city went
ahead. He pointed out that the cost
of power was cheaper in Syracuse and
Lockport, New York State, from Ni-
agara Falls, than it could be manu-
factured in those towns, despite the
fact that coal was cheaper.

A. L. Brethaupt asked about the
constancy of the current from the
Falls, and the chairman of the com-
mission explained that there would be
no fluctuations from the Falls. The
selection of architects has been the
cause of much contention for a long
time. After making one selection sev-
eral weeks ago, the decision was
announced and the whole matter was
again thrashed out.

The selection yesterday was made
from three eligibles, as per a previous
decision, namely, Darling & Pearson,
George W. Gouinlock and Curry, Rolph
& Spratt, who were originally awarded
the contract.

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tered Accountants, 36 Wellington St.
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INDEPENDENT BANK INSPECTION.
The Bank of Nova Scotia Takes
Initiative.

Mr. H. C. McLeod of the Bank of
Nova Scotia, who, at the time of the
last revision of the Bank Act, was an
advocate of government inspection, and
who has recently called public atten-
tion to the necessity for an independ-
ent examination of banks, has an-
nounced that, pending a suitable
amendment to the Bank Act, or of the
adoption by the Associated Banks of
an effective system of inspection, the
Bank of Nova Scotia will follow the
method of banks in Scotland, under
which each bank employs chartered
accountants, trained to bank inspec-
tion, to verify its statements. The
Bank of Nova Scotia has engaged two
chartered accountants in Edinburgh to
undertake the work preparatory to is-
suing the 75th annual statement to its
shareholders.

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ANTI-ASIATIC FEELING IS VERY EMBARRASSING TO BRITAIN AND U.S.

**South Africa and Australia Have
Troublesome Problems to Solve
—California Difficulty to be
Settled by Courts.**

London, Dec. 5.—President Roose-
velt's declaration in his message to
congress yesterday, on the treatment
accorded to Japanese in the San Fran-
cisco schools, particularly appeals to
the British at the present time, be-
cause in South Africa and Australia a
similar anti-Asiatic feeling has created
embarrassment for the imperial au-
thorities.

During the present week the home
government vetoed a Transvaal ordi-
nance further restricting the privi-
leges of British Indians, even those
long resident in the country, while the
recently the government refused to ac-
cept an Australian offer of a prefer-
ential tariff, provided the goods were
shipped in vessels not employing yel-
low seamen.

The newspapers here point out that
the western states of America have no
monopoly in this anti-Asiaticism and
consider that the president's remarks
"convey a lesson which might well be
laid to heart in other quarters than that
to which it is directly addressed."

ROOSEVELT MISCONSTRUED.

Washington, Dec. 5.—The California
delegation in congress have received
what they consider satisfactory assu-
rance that the president did not desire
to be understood as saying in his an-
nual message that he would use the
military force of the United States in
forcing Japanese into the California
schools in which white children are
taught. It is said to have been his pur-
pose to convey the idea that he would
use the military to protect Japanese
against mob violence. Californians
take no offence at this interpretation
of the message, and agree that the
chief executive should do everything in
his power to protect Japanese, as well
as all other foreigners, against violence.

"This whole San Francisco affair is
proving to be a tempest in a teapot,"
Representative Julius Kahn said to-
day. "It will die out rapidly as soon as
there is a general understanding as to
why California takes the position it
does."

The courts and not the public must
settle all the legal questions involved.
We are glad to know that the adminis-
tration is taking steps to institute ac-
tion which will give the courts a
chance to pass on the validity of the
San Francisco school board's action."

For the Courts to Say.
Representative Jenkins of Wisconsin,
chairman of the house committee on
Judiciary, in a statement on the Japa-
nese situation, to-day said: "Primarily,
it might be said, the entire school
question is under the absolute control
of the state by virtue of the police
power unless interfered with by the
treaty-making power. Unquestionably
a treaty can be made covering and in-
cluding the question, but it is not for
me to say whether the treaty does or
does not cover and include it. That is
for the administration to determine un-
til the courts decide."

"There is no sense or justification in
talking war. It is worse than ally. It
is cruel and un-American. We do not
need enough about it to even express
an opinion. All the facts are not be-
fore the public, and I apprehend that
but few have carefully considered the
question. The Japanese are not a
people to be trifled with. They are
defending the honor and dignity of the
nation, and at the same time will do all
in their power to avert war and will be
fully equal to the occasion."

"If the question is not covered by
treaty, Japan has no cause for com-
plaint, and in a case of this kind, if not
covered by treaty, the nation cannot
be held responsible for the action of the
state acting within its sovereign power.
If the question is covered by treaty,
this nation must abide by treaty stipu-
lations or violate them at the risk of
war."

Root the Instigator.
Enquiry to-day disclosed the fact that
the legal proceedings to be taken in
San Francisco were inspired by United
States Secretary of State Root. Payment
expressed the opinion that it would be
one way of effectually disposing of the
controversy.

CONFERENCE POSTPONED.
Colonial Premiers Will Meet in May
Instead of April.

(Canadian Associated Press Cable.)
London, Dec. 5.—The colonial confer-
ence has been postponed from April to
May to suit the convenience of the
colonial premiers.

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THE COCK O' THE NORTH

**THIRTY HOURS OF RAIN
CAUSES MANY DEATHS
AND GREAT DAMAGE**

Clifton, Ariz., Dec. 5.—Floodwaters
that caused upwards of a score of
deaths and much property damage to-
night are receding rapidly and the 30-
hour rain has ceased. No further
damage is apprehended.

The bodies were recovered from the
wreckage along Chase Creek, but the
exact number of deaths cannot be
told. Joe Thom, who was rescued
from the flood, and whose wife was
lost, was taken to a hospital in a
serious condition, but probably will
recover. Three men were caught looting,
and on refusal to surrender, were
shot and fatally wounded by officers.

The flood in Chase Creek was caused
by the breaking of the reservoir of the
Detroit Copper Co., and the freed
water ran down the creek with a 7-
foot breast.

Only one business house on Chase
Creek escaped damage and many
were destroyed. North Clifton was
partly wrecked, nearly all of the resi-
dences in that part of the town being
destroyed or damaged.

The Coronado Railroad suffered
damage all the way from Clifton to
Metolite and it will be several days
before trains can pass over the line.
The first train out of Clifton since the
flood started to-day. It is doubtful
whether it can get as far as Durango,
where the Gila River is higher and is
still rising.

So many restaurants and hotels have
been destroyed that it is almost im-
possible to find a place to eat or to
sleep in the town, but there will be
no shortage of provisions, as many
stores escaped the flood.

All trains on the Arizona and New
Mexico Railway are held up. Rail-
road bridges are so severely damaged
that it will be unsafe to use them for
some time.

Newspaper offices were wrecked.

From Trains to Canoes.
Panama, Dec. 5.—Railroad communi-
cation on the isthmus is still interrupted
by floods, and mails and passengers at
some points along the route are trans-
ferred from one train to another in
canoes.

BIG STORM IN BRITAIN.
London, Dec. 6.—A severe gale is
raging on the coast. The steamer
Baltic was delayed many hours in
sailing.

Among the many accidents reported
is the destruction of the wireless tele-
graph tower at Macbratlin Bay, Scot-
land, which was 450 feet high and
weighed 200 tons. This tower was
erected for wireless communication
with America. It collapsed and crashed
to the ground.

WINNERS AT CHICAGO.
Chicago, Ill., Dec. 5.—(Special.)—Can-
adians evidently guessed the wrong
date for "Foreign Day" at the Inter-
national Live Stock Show, for to-day—
just one day late—they almost swept
the board of the leading awards.

In the evening they figured strongly
in the horse awards by winning blue
ribbons in both stallion and gelding
classes of the best-known horses in
the world. Graham Bros. of Clare-
mont, Ont., won the 4-year-old Hack-
ney stallion class, while they also
featuring the famous Preakness colt
naught from the Truman Pioneer farm
at Bushnell, Ill., which captured blue
ribbons in the yearling and 2-year-
old classes.

Also, Dalfon King, also from the
stable of Graham Bros., won the blue
ribbon in the 3-year-old class for
Hackney stallions.

COLDER.
Meteorological Office, Toronto, Dec. 5.—
(8 p.m.)—The western disturbance is
moving directly towards the Great Lakes,
and snow and rain have already
fallen in the West. The weather continues
fairly cold from Ontario to the Maritime
Provinces, and very cold in the western
provinces.

Minimum and maximum temperatures:
Toronto, 12 below; 10 below; 12 below;
Edmonton, 10 below; 10 below; 10 below;
Regina, 12 below; 10 below; 10 below;
Winnipeg, 12 below; 10 below; 10 below;
Saskatoon, 12 below; 10 below; 10 below;
Calgary, 12 below; 10 below; 10 below;
Montreal, 22 below; 10 below; 10 below;
Quebec, 18 below; 10 below; 10 below;
Halifax, 10 below; 10 below; 10 below.

THE BAROMETER.
Time. Ther. Bar. Wind.
8 a.m. 22 29.50 10 N.
Noon 23 29.52 8 N.
2 p.m. 24 29.52 8 N.
4 p.m. 24 29.52 8 N.
6 p.m. 24 29.53 10 N.W.
10 p.m. 24 29.53 10 N.W.
Mean of day, 24; difference from average,
3 below; highest, 33; lowest, 20; snow, 04.

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