

MONOPOLY CLAUSE IS NOT TO APPLY.

**Solicitor Lobb Gives the City Assurance Power
Will Cost Over \$20.70.**

A settlement of the power question, which has been the storm centre of municipal affairs in Hamilton during the three years it has been under discussion, is believed to be possible as a result of an assurance given the special committee of the Council last night by Solicitor Lobb that the Hydro-Electric Commission and the municipalities parties to the contract, will waive the monopoly clause for this city and permit it to buy a thousand horse-power, without forcing it to take any more. The probable outcome will be that the city will order a thousand horse-power under these conditions, and at the same time carry out its contract with the Cataract Power Company. The aldermen have an idea that they can now see their way out of the fix they are in through the mix-up by using power from both sources.

CATARACT COMPANY'S STAND.
The first official intimation the local company has given that it will insist on the city carrying out the power contract made by last year's Council was contained in the following letter received by Mayor McLaren yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock:

A great deal of talk is going on in the papers about the matter of supply of power to this city corporation for its civic uses. It seems to be entirely lost sight of in this newspaper discussion, that the city has now with this company a contract for a supply of power for these services, which contract was entered into by us in perfect good faith, and aside from any question of fair dealing between the city and this company, we hold this contract to be good legally, and hope the city will carry out its side of the agreement. We will be pleased to hear from you in this connection. Yours truly, Wm. C. Hawkins, General Manager.

ABOUT THE MINUTES.
The meeting opened with Ald. Morris protesting against the minutes of the last session being certified to by the aldermen and going forth as an official result of the meeting. The more necessary, he thought. It should be sufficient to have the motion and main facts recorded. A majority of the committee thought otherwise, and approved of the minutes.

MUST PAY FOR ALL.
Solicitor Lobb, who was accompanied by two of the Commission's engineers, answered most of the questions which the aldermen at the last meeting expressed a desire to have information about.

The first of these was: "If we order 1,500 h.p. and afterwards reduce to 900 h.p., will we get 900 h.p. at the same rate as 1,500 h.p.?"

Mr. Lobb's direct answer to this question was, "Yes."
The city had until July 1, he said, to reduce the amount of power 40 per cent. The capital cost was already fixed, once and for all. It was roughly estimated at \$5,000,000 and took care of 25,000 horse power. There was this a natural and mathematical increase the more the quantity was reduced. The whole scheme was that the greater quantity taken the lower the price would be.

The Mayor wanted to know whether the city's share of the maintenance did not go on all the time, irrespective of the amount of power used. The more power London and Toronto took would immediately reduce the cost on the main line from the Falls to Dundas.

City Engineer MacCallum estimated that the city to begin would require 1,300 horse power, made up of 1,000 horse power for the sewage disposal works and 300 horse power for the quarry.

Mr. Lobb insisted that whether Hamilton used a single horse power or 25,000 horse power the price at the Falls would be \$0.40.

"Supposing we used 750 horse power after having ordered a thousand horse power, we would pay for 750 horse power at \$0.40 at the Falls and pay for maintenance on 1,000 horse power?"

"Certainly," said Mr. Lobb.
"That will be \$11.30 for maintenance?"

"Yes."
Mr. Lobb informed the aldermen that using 750 horse power the city would have to pay \$20.70. He explained that under the contract the commission was obliged to meet annually and adjust the prices.

E. B. Merrill, the electrical expert, who is assisting City Engineer MacCallum, was asked to use 13,200 horse power direct from the lines at the Beach pumping station, and, if so, will we require transformers to bring it back to the sewage plant and the quarry?"

His answer was that it was feasible to handle the 13,200 volts direct from the lines without transformers. It was also feasible to branch off the main line without going to the Beach to carry the power to the sewage disposal works and other points, and whether it could be used at these places would depend on the amount. It would not be advisable to try to use it below a hundred horse power. The cost of a transmission line to the disposal works and quarry he figured at from \$1,000 to \$1,500 a mile.

MUST PAY LINE LOSS.
Ald. Cooper pressed for information about the line loss and where the meter was to be placed. Mr. Lobb informed him that the meter would be at Dundas and that the line loss of from 4 to 6 per cent. was estimated in the cost of power quoted to the city.

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Engineer Ross admitted the Mayor's contention that there was ten miles of line from Dundas to the Beach, on which Hamilton would enjoy no reduction. The city would have to pay the whole cost of this maintenance.

Replying to Ald. Cooper, Mr. Lobb said that, all things being equal, Hamilton would get power at the same price as the other municipalities.

Ald. Morris understood Mr. Lobb to say that Hamilton could have the meter at the Beach, if it wanted it.

What Mr. Lobb did say was that Hamilton could have one at the Beach also, for any difference it would make, and Engineer Ross further explained that it made practically no difference to the commission or the city where the meter was, as the city must pay its share of the cost.

Ald. Morris wanted to know in what position the city would be if it wanted small additional quantities of power from time to time. Mr. Lobb said that the commission was forced to take power in units of a thousand horse power at Niagara, but as it was only obliged to use and pay for seventy-five per cent. of this, it would generally have enough ahead to meet the demands of any of the municipalities. The engineers informed his Worship that the cost of maintaining the line from Dundas to the Beach would be trifling, about \$10 a year, and said this was included in the \$8.32 added to the \$9.40 for the price of power at Niagara.

The Mayor also sought information as to the cost to Hamilton should its use of power run above a thousand at periods of the year. Mr. Lobb said the computation would be made monthly, and as long as the city did not use less than 75 per cent. of what it ordered it would only be expected to pay for what it used.

POWER BY DECEMBER 19.
Questions about the time when the Commission expected to be in a position to deliver power, the solicitor furnished some rather interesting information. He said that the contracts called for 175 miles of the transmission lines to Hamilton, Toronto, London and Guelph being completed by December 19. The Westinghouse Company had the contract for equipping the main station at Niagara Falls, and the main sub-station at Dundas. Although it was not generally known, and although all the technical details were not complete, the company had started some months ago on the contract and he had the assurance of the Westinghouse people that they expected to have the stations equipped by December 19. If this was the case, Hamilton would have power by that date. The Commission was not obliged to take any power before March 19, 1910. Municipalities with contracts would have to take the minimum amount of power by that date or pay for it in any event.

Answering a question by the Mayor, Mr. Lobb stated that should Hamilton drop to 500 horse power after having ordered a thousand horse power, the price of power would remain at \$0.40, with the fixed charges for a thousand, for the quantity actually used unless the commission had ordered more power than was being used by the several municipalities, in which case the cost of power to Hamilton would increase proportionately.

Reducing the Hydro power to 2,200 volts for the sake of comparison with the Cataract figures, Engineer Merrill said that it would cost \$19.25 at the Beach for the Niagara power, and \$19.75 at the annex sewage disposal plant.

Ald. Jutten wanted to know if the city took any power if it would be held down by the clause which stated that power should be taken from the Commission exclusively. Mr. Lobb said there was a clause which said that the Hydro contract was not to interfere with existing contracts. The city he said could build its own line from Dundas to the Beach if it desired.

NOT BOUND BY MONOPOLY.
"The City of Hamilton," said Mr. Lobb, "might not desire to take all its power from the Commission, and I have taken the pains to inquire from the leading municipalities whether they will insist on the clause being adhered to and they state that they will not, that if Hamilton applies for power it can get what it asks for as Hamilton is not a party to the contract, only the parties to the contract are bound."

Mr. Lobb admitted his worship that when he was discussing the matter with Mr. Beck he told the Mayor that Hamilton would have to take all its power from the Commission, but it was supposed at that time that Hamilton was a party to the contract.

The aldermen wanted to know what form they would have to go through to make application and were referred to paragraph eleven, which says that after a municipality makes application the other municipalities shall be notified together with the applicant, when all representations will be heard by the Commission.

"What will the answer be if Hamilton asks not to be bound? What will the Commission say?" was one of the questions fired at Mr. Lobb.

"I have authority to say to you as far as can be made final that the clause will not be insisted on in Hamilton's case," was the reply.

"And you won't ask a profit?" ventured the Mayor.

"The price will be absolutely the same as given to the other municipalities," Mr. Lobb admitted that 1 and 8-10 per cent. for the sinking fund was the correct amount to compute on the line and price of power.

The Commission did not own the right-of-way for the lines, but had a thirty-year lease, with the option of leasing for another thirty years. With proper care it was expected the steel towers would last fully that length of time.

Ald. Allan wanted the terms officially in black and white before acting.

"Supposing you are informed by letter to-morrow you can have a thousand horse-power and that you will not be bound by the clauses referred to, will you be ready to make application?" was asked by Mr. Lobb.

"I will be ready to deal with it," was the reply.

"Then you can get it at once," said Mr. Lobb.

The Mayor said he was not doing much worrying, but in view of the fact that the matter had been mentioned during the election, he wanted to know where the city would be at if the Cataract was able through the courts to enforce last year's contract.

Mr. Lobb's reply to this was that the city could make application as contingent on the result of any litigation the Cataract might bring, and the Commission would deal with it.

"With what result?" was asked.

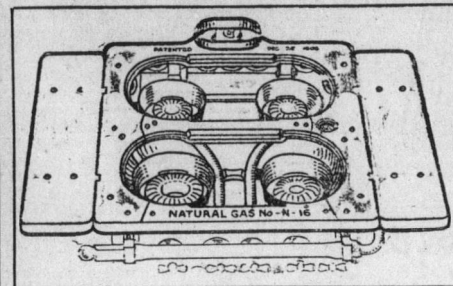
Mr. Lobb said Mr. Beck would probably advise the city to fight its suit and then make application.

The stand taken by Ald. Jutten was that even taking the minimum amount from the Cataract and the same amount from the Hydro the total would be 1,470 horse-power. The engineer advised that 1,300 was required, so that the city would not be in a very serious fix.

Ald. Morris wanted the committee to adopt a resolution recommending the Council apply to the Commission for a thousand horse-power, on condition that it was not forced to take more than this amount, but the aldermen decided to wait until they received the assurance

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in writing, promised by Mr. Lobb. The committee will meet at 5 o'clock on Saturday afternoon to deal with the matter and make its recommendation to the Council.

GARDEN PARTY

First of Series of Three at Mr. F. W. Brennan's.

Although the downpour of rain yesterday kept many away, the first of the series of three mission garden party concerts at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Brennan, corner of Main street and Ontario avenue, last evening was a delightful affair, and was enjoyed by a goodly number. The spacious house and large grounds were brilliantly illuminated and a commodious tent was becomingly decorated and made a fine place for coffee, ices, bonbons, fruits, etc. Mr. W. T. Evans presided and an excellent programme was provided. It consisted of: Song, Mr. J. Moodie; song, Miss Margaret McCoy; address, Mr. Hugh S. Brennan; song, Mr. F. Murphy; song, Mrs. Clyde Green; song, Mr. E. G. Payne; song, Mrs. Parry; address, Rev. R. Whiting, of Centenary Church; song, Miss Jerome; address, Rev. Jos. McCoy; song, Mr. Williams. Mr. Harry Allan was accompanist.

Fine programmes have been arranged for to-morrow and to-morrow evening, and large audiences are expected. The concerts are in aid of the Women's Missionary Societies of Knox Church.

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Injured in Runaway.
Brampton, June 23.—Wm. Large, a plumber, of this town, accompanied by Frank Bailey, his assistant, was driving to Huttonville, about three miles from Brampton, this morning, when their horse took fright and ran away.

Both men were thrown out and sustained serious injuries. Large having his leg broken and Bailey a broken arm, with other cuts and bruises.

Mrs. Sage Gives Away Money Ten Times Faster Than Rockefeller Can Make It

WHAT YEAR'S GIVING COST MRS. RUSSELL SAGE

Russell Sage foundation	\$10,000,000
Princeton University	250,000
American Bible Society	200,000
Island for the United States	175,000
Berea College branch	250,000
For Rockaway church	250,000
Public Schools	500,000
Railroad Y.M.C.A.'s	250,000
Secret charities	2,000,000
Total	\$13,875,000

The touch of Midas never wrought such piles of gold as Mrs. Russell Sage, widow of the "miser of Wall street," has set herself to give to humanity in the next five years. By July 1, 1914, if she is living then, she will have only a small competency, and the world's people will have her \$65,000,000 fortune, one of the greatest ever built.

Men like Carnegie and Rockefeller never dreamed of giving away so much money in their lives, but a woman, and she past 80, is doing it. Mrs. Sage's ideas about money-giving have just been made known through her plan to insure lives of working-men without profit. The figures staggered Miles Dawson, a fire insurance expert, who was hired by Mrs. Sage to make her plans.

He told her such a scheme never was thought of. "You cost you \$50,000,000," Mrs. Sage, before you start the system," he told her.

"Never mind," was her answer, "I'm going to give \$65,000,000 away in five years."

So Expert Dawson engaged Dr. Lee K. Frankel, the Hebrew philanthropist, to assist him, and their figures have staggered New York.

Besides such an undertaking as Mrs. Sage's latest, her previous benefactions stand small, though beyond the belief of the average rich man.

Last year alone she gave away \$13,875,000.

Since the first of the year this amount has been increased by millions, and her gifts to churches and charity amount to \$25,000 a day.

Women's Column

MADE A HIT.
Crack Highland Regiment Admired by Visitors.

Hamilton's crack Highland Regiment, the Ninth, made a great hit last night with the big crowd of race visitors, who lined the street along the route of march. It was the final brush up in preparation for the Buffalo trip, and the men paraded over 350 strong, notwithstanding the sultry weather. The regiment, headed by the three bands, marched up James street and through the centre of the city. It was too warm to indulge in any strenuous work, and the parade was dismissed when the regiment returned to the drill hall.

Some disappointment was expressed because no word was received from the military authorities of the district as to whether they are going to refuse the regiment permission to cross the border on the holiday. Lieut.-Col. Bruce expects to know some time to-day, however, whether there is any truth in the report that the trip may be cancelled.

SIX HOURS' FIGHTING

Would Put the French Fleet Out of Commission.

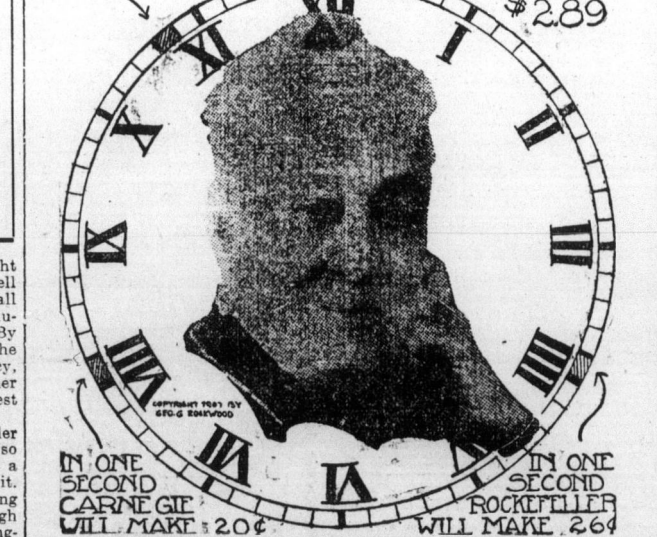
Paris, June 23.—The report of the Parliamentary Commission which investigated the naval scandals in France has been turned in. It is a scathing condemnation of the naval administration for the past ten years, and it makes astounding exposure of the deplorable condition of the fleet for which France has spent \$700,000,000 since 1899.

The 350 pages of the report are filled with details of the inefficiency resulting from confusion and red tape, conditions that make French naval construction cost 25 per cent. more than English or German.

Perhaps the gravest feature of the exposure is the lack of reserve coal and ammunition supplies at the various ports and arsenals. One officer testified before the commission that at the end of a naval battle of six hours the ships would find it impossible to replenish and would be virtually out of commission.

Canon Welch was presented with \$1,000 and Mrs. Welch with a silver tea service by the congregation of St. James' Cathedral, Toronto.

IN ONE SECOND MRS. SAGE WILL GIVE AWAY \$2.89



ONE SECOND IN ONE OF MRS. RUSSELL SAGE'S "GOLDEN HOURS, AND WHAT IT MEANS.

By the time the day is passed \$25,000 has gone from the coffers that Sage amassed in Wall street.

John D. Rockefeller, who has built the biggest fortune in the world's history, accumulated his money at the rate of 26 cents a second. Henry H. Rogers got his money at the rate of 15 cents a second, and Andrew Car-

negie wealth came to him at a 20-cents-a-second rate.

Yet Mrs. Sage, giving away money more than 10 times as fast as Rockefeller made it, is resolved she is not giving away money fast enough!

Her friends say Mrs. Sage, the most quiet and lovable of women, has what is called a "New England conscience." It will not let her die with the money from old Russell Sage's hoard.

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Screen Doors

We have been having a great run on Screen Doors. Our stock is still complete, however, and you can get a door that will suit you from our large supply and variety. These doors range at various prices, such as 90c for back door, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.25 for the better grades. Each door is complete with fixtures and will give good satisfaction.

Screen Door Springs

Spiral Wire Screen Door Springs, will hold door firmly shut, complete with screws, only 15c each

Spring Hinges

They are for screen doors, holds door firmly in its place, price 15c pair.

Washing Machines

Our up-to-date "New Century" Washing Machines are ideal, and have done much to relieve the wearing work of a Monday's washing. Have you one? We are carrying a most complete stock of these machines, and they are guaranteed to give satisfaction. These machines range in price at \$7.50 and \$8.50

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Rubber Hose

Do not let your lawn or flowers dry up and die for want of water, when you can get a guaranteed 4-ply Hose cut in lengths and fitted with couplings as follows:

12 1/2 ft. length	\$1.45
25 ft. length	\$2.70
37 1/2 ft. length	\$3.95
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Lawn Sprinklers, \$1.00 to \$1.50	
Hose Reels (to hold 100 ft.) each	85c
Splices for mending hose, each 5c	
Clamps for holding in couplings 5c	

Lawn Mowers

Still a few Lawn Mowers left. We have three styles in Lawn Mowers, and all are good cutters. The low wheel machines sell at \$2.75, \$3.00 and \$3.25; medium wheel at \$3.75, \$4.00, \$4.25. The high wheel at \$4.75, \$5.00, \$5.25 and \$5.75

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A handy thing to attach to the lawn mower; will save extra labor; on sale Friday and Saturday 85c

Screen Door Clamps

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5 pairs of Women's Tan Pumps, were \$3.00, for	\$2.35
5 pairs of Women's Patent Pumps, were \$4.50, for	\$3.50
6 pairs of Women's Patent Pumps, were \$4.00, for	\$3.25
14 pairs of Women's Tan Oxfords, were \$3.00, for	\$2.35
8 pairs of Women's Gun Metal Oxfords, were \$3.00, for	\$2.25
6 pairs of Women's Gun Metal Pumps, were \$3.00, for	\$2.25
9 pairs of Men's Patent Oxfords, were \$4.50, for	\$3.50

The above are clean, up-to-date Shoes. If we have your size, why not buy a pair and save a dollar?

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DIED ON GREEN.

Charles Boeckh Stricken While Bowling at Granite Club.

Toronto, June 24.—Mr. Chas. Boeckh, a director of the United Factories, Limited, while defending the Hargratt trophy for the Granite Club against a rink from St. Matthews on the Granite lawn about 7 o'clock last evening, suffered a stroke of apoplexy and expired almost immediately. With seven other well-known bowlers, Mr. Boeckh played

singles in the match, and early in the contest had just delivered a bowl when he was overcome. Dr. B. E. Hawke, who was watching the game, rushed to Mr. Boeckh's side, but he could do nothing, as the player was beyond human aid.

The body of Mr. Boeckh was taken to his residence, 244 St. George street, the match meanwhile being declared off.

A special cable despatch to the London Times from Constantinople says the rumors of military activity on both sides of the Greek frontier must be received with great caution. On the Ottoman side rumors of mobilization thus far are as untrue as similar reports from Thessaly proved to be.