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COURT ORDERS THE SIGNATURE

Mayor of Berlin Can't Hold Up Power Contract—Galt's Mayor Will Get the Same Notice.

Mayor Huber of Berlin must sign the power contract adopted by the town council there with the hydro-electric power commission. The mayor's objections were understood to be personal in connection with the town solicitor and other officials. Justice Latchford issued a mandamus yesterday at Osgoode Hall to compel him to do the will of the council.

Alexander Millar, K.C., appeared for the town, and pointed out that the bylaw had been carried by a large majority. The legislature had declared the bylaw valid, and the question was not whether the bylaw was valid, but whether the mayor had any discretion to refuse to sign it.

A special to The World from Galt says: "Mayor Patterson was this afternoon served with formal notice of motion embodied in mandamus proceedings taken to compel him to sign the Niagara power bylaw confirming the contract with the hydro-electric commission. The plaintiff is F. Stewart Scott, one of the members of the town council, who has as chairman of the fire and light committee of the council, had charge of the bylaw."

"At the last meeting of council, when his word was declined to sign the bylaw because, he said, he did not think it was in accordance with the popular understanding of the agreement with the commission, Mayor Scott proceeded to tender some information, but was told peremptorily to sit down. The mayor has ever since been very reticent in his attitude towards the power scheme, declining all overtures looking to the adjustment of differences and declaring that he would never sign the bylaw until the judge ordered him to."

"The mandamus will be argued at Osgoode Hall on Thursday next by Mr. A. Scott, barrister, representing the petitioner."

City Solicitor Chisholm places no weight on the threats to enforce the contract against building a power distribution plant.

In the past, when similar obstruction has been offered to large projects, the courts have been called upon to enforce the law, and the legislature at its next session has validated the action taken.

BROKERS CLAIM ASSETS EXCEED THE LIABILITIES

Would Have Been All Right if Other Firms Hadn't Incurred Losses for Them.

NEW YORK, Aug. 27.—Announcement of the intention of the firm of O. A. Brown & Co. to contest the petition in bankruptcy filed against the firm in the United States court to-day by Frank V. Strauss and others, was made to-night by Edward F. Buchanan, one of the members of the suspended brokerage house.

"Upon examination of our books," said Mr. Buchanan, "I find that on Tuesday afternoon we had received considerably in excess of our liabilities. Had it not been for the losses we incurred by the operations of the firm, who took it upon themselves to cover our commitments in the open market, we would have been all right."

We expect to contest the bankruptcy proceedings begun against us, and to take legal steps to protect vigorously against the manner in which our business was taken out of our hands. Tuesday, and our facilities for fulfilling our contracts destroyed."

The attorneys retained to represent the petitioners in the bankruptcy proceedings stated tonight that their clients held claims against the suspended firm aggregating about \$200,000.

BIG FIRE AT SOO.

\$100,000 Worth of Lumber Goes Up in Smoke.

SAULT STE. MARIE, Aug. 27.—Fire at Lake Superior Corporation yards this afternoon resulted in loss of about \$100,000. Started in the lumber yards near the saw mill and destroyed about 3,500,000 feet, estimated to cost \$30 per thousand. The lumber was owned by Miller & McCool, the Algoma Commercial Co. and the Saginaw Lumber Co. Only by most strenuous efforts were the flames prevented from spreading along the entire water front. About four acres of ground, formerly occupied by huge piles of lumber, closely packed, are now a heap of smouldering ruins. So intense is the heat that the firemen cannot approach the ruins.

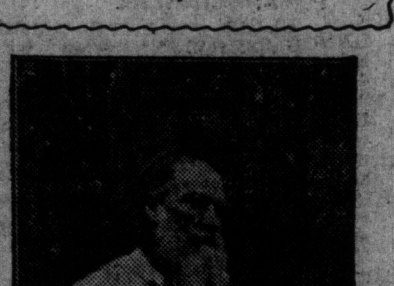
GERMANY'S PENSION SYSTEM

Lloyd-George Expresses Astonishment at Success of Idea in Empire.

LONDON, Aug. 27.—David Lloyd-George, interviewed on his return from Germany, said he had never realized before the gigantic scale of the German pension system, nor how successful the idea had proved.

The thing that impressed him was that in every class and in every way the system worked perfectly. The employers said that the system promoted efficiency. He was much struck also with the way the German revenue was obtained from the railways, mining and royalties on the unearned increment in the cities.

Count Tolstoi's Unique Honor



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Single Taxers To Cable Him On Birthday

The single taxers of Toronto are participating in a movement to recognize Count Tolstoi's work for the attainment of an equitable economic system.

This is to take the form of the presentation of an address by cable, to be forwarded to him on his approaching birthday. The idea appears to have originated among the leading members of the Single Tax Society of Cincinnati, who took the initiative.

As Count Tolstoi is one of the most profound admirers of Henry George and has written trenchant articles in support of the single tax method of social reform, the proposal was endorsed on all sides and nowhere more enthusiastically than among the single taxers of Toronto.

A St. Petersburg report of yesterday, however, says that the count may survive to participate in the world-wide celebration of his 80th birthday next Friday. For weeks the famous reformer has been too weak from sickness to work in his fields of yore, and the visitors who last saw him at his estate at Sasnaja Poljana declared that he had aged frightfully in the past fortnight.

When Tolstoi gave forth his burning arraignment of the earth's cruelty to his friends, that it would probably be the last work of his life.

In a letter written recently the old savant declared that he "awaited death with eagerness, for our earthly life is one of dreams of another and more real life."

MAN OF MANY TONGUES SHOULD WIN GLENGARRY

Conservatives Nominate John F. McGregor at a Very Largely Attended Convention.

ALEXANDRIA, Aug. 27.—(Special.)—Glengarry Conservatives, at the first largely attended convention in the party's history, unanimously nominated John F. McGregor, produce dealer, as candidate for the commons.

The proceedings were characterized by harmony and enthusiasm, and the candidate enters the field under the most hopeful auspices.

He was nominated on the first ballot, receiving 121 out of 177 ballots cast. Mr. McArthur, a retired merchant, was the other candidate. The nomination was made unanimous.

McGregor is a favorite with the farmers of the county, with whom he has had dealings for many years. He speaks Gaelic, the broad Scotch and French, as well as English, and will powerfully appeal to all classes in the community.

Speeches were made by Donald McGregor, K.C., Dr. Reid, M.P. for Grenville, and Messrs. Harwood of Montreal, and Plante, M.L.A. of Beauhar-

"BLACK HAND" DIDN'T WORK

Cop Waited Until Letter Writer Came for the Cash.

VANCOUVER, B.C., Aug. 27.—(Special.)—John Miller was arrested to-day charged with having written a letter to John Main, a grocer, in "Black Hand" style. Main was told to place \$200 at the corner of his barn, or he and the store would be blown up. With a policeman Main waited until Miller came along last night after dark and commenced looking over the ground with the aid of a match.

DUNDAS COUNTY LIBERALS FAIL TO NAME A MAN

WINCHESTER, Ont., Aug. 27.—The Liberal convention for Dundas County met this afternoon at Winchester Springs and was very largely attended. The nomination of a candidate for the house of commons was, however, deferred till a later date.

SOLDIERS WAY HOLD THE LID

Governor of New Jersey Says Saloons Must Be Closed Sunday at Atlantic City.

SEAGIRT, N.J., Aug. 27.—In a public proclamation issued to-day from the summer capital Governor Fort declares that unless the excise law is observed in Atlantic City, which he calls a "saturnalia of vice," next Sunday, and all saloons and cafes closed tightly he will call an extraordinary session of the grand jury and may send the New Jersey State troops to the famous resort, declaring the city to be under martial law.

This is the most drastic action which has been taken to enforce a general law ever taken in New Jersey.

Governor Fort in his proclamation ridicules the fiasco of ten days ago, when a grand jury at Mays Landing, the county seat, refused to find indictments and says that the action was a burlesque.

The grand jury now in session is not likely to find indictments, the governor declares, and in his proclamation he states that he has affidavits stating that liquors were sold last Sunday in saloons operated in Atlantic City by members of the grand jury.

GRAND JURY REPRIMANDED.

Didn't Obey Judge's Instructions—Juror Resents Criticism.

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J., Aug. 27.—Late to-day the grand jury at Mays Landing returned three indictments against alleged gamblers, but none against excise violators at Atlantic City. Justice Trenchard severely reprimanded the members of the jury, declaring that he had been informed by Assistant District Attorney Gaskill that there was sufficient evidence to warrant indictments against excise violators.

It is claimed by county officials and the hotelmen that 95 per cent. of the people of Atlantic City are in favor of an open Sunday.

The controversy between the court and the grand jury started a week ago. Prior to that the state excise commission spent several days here investigating the excise question. At the hearings of the commission, Mayor Stiles, Sheriff Johnson and others repeatedly told the investigators that they would not enforce the excise laws because the sentiment of the people was against them. They said they were starting that it was laid before the governor, who requested Justice Trenchard to sit with Judge Higbee in Atlantic City and take charge of the matter.

The grand jury was summoned last week and brought in indictments against two alleged gamblers and adjourned until to-day without considering any excise cases.

Justice Trenchard then said that the court would sit until indictments were found in the excise cases and the jury retired. The jurors returned late in the afternoon and presented three indictments, two against an alleged gambling house and one against a man who is charged with selling obscene postal cards.

Justice Trenchard read the bills of indictments and throwing them on his desk said: "If you had any sense, you would present any indictments for the illegal sale of liquor on Sunday. The court is forced to say that, considering the instructions before the court, the state of the law and the evidence presented, you grand jurors have failed in the performance of your duty and have violated your oaths to the State of New Jersey. You are discharged for the term."

Foreman Salus took exception to the remarks of the court. He said: "We are willing to obey the law and we say that we feel that we have performed our duty and have not violated our oaths."

"We represent the will of the people of Atlantic County. We feel that we are supreme; and without affront we feel that no person, however clothed with power or office, has a right to rebuke us in this manner. We as representatives of Atlantic County, representing \$5,000,000 worth of property, do not intend that the deliberations of this jury shall be made a laughing stock. We want nothing concealed. We want a spade called a spade."

"We grand jurors tried with all our might and enthusiasm, and we are regretting evidence which the prosecutors of the county caused to be published in the newspapers, but we did not get it. At every turn we were thwarted as grand jurors."

FIGHT COMMISSION'S POWERS

Metropolitan Street Railway Deny That They Can Force Joint Rents.

NEW YORK, Aug. 27.—Platly denying that the public service commission has any authority to force joint routes or rates upon the street railway companies, the receivers of the Metropolitan road to-day caused a sensational fight in the contest which has been in progress for several weeks for transfers from the up and down lines of that company to a cross town line of another company in 59th-street.

The open defiance was made in a formal statement at a hearing before the public service commission to-day. The issues thus raised are said to effect the very life of the commission.

PRESSURE WAS SATISFACTORY.

LONDON, Aug. 27.—(Special.)—The inspector of the Canadian Fire Underwriters' Association, who was here to-day, made a test of the water here yesterday and expressed himself satisfied that there was good pressure at the disastrous Westman fire.

He said that the 40 pounds pressure was satisfactory. His statement dispels the rumor that London was to be wiped off the insurance map.

FOURTH WARD ASSESSMENTS

Becoming a Business Section—Good Increases Shown, But Population is Going to Northward.

WARD FOUR INCREASES.

Land \$1,038,013
Buildings 1,494,172
Business assessment 215,843
Income 725,421
Total \$2,273,449

Tax exemptions \$396,083
Population 1,322

The assessment figures of the Fourth Ward given out by Commissioner Foran show substantial increases in property values. The small increase in population is accounted for by the business character which the ward is developing. In the lower end a decrease of 500 in population is significant of this transition, but north of Bloor-street there is a gain of more than 800.

Land Values.

The land increase of \$1,038,013 is fairly apportioned, with Queen-street, showing an increase of \$187,000; King-street, \$28,000; Bloor-street, \$87,000; Adelaide-street, \$55,000 and Richmond-street, \$68,000. The increase during the previous three years totals \$1,510,341, which gives \$4,528,554 increase in four years, or over 20 per cent. of the total land assessment in 1904.

Buildings.

The assessment on buildings shows an increase of \$1,494,172. Better compliance with the requests of the assessors for information as to income and new business coming into the ward are the reasons for the increase.

Income.

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Exemptions.

The total value of exempt property is \$375,441, an increase of \$96,083. University property, including new buildings erected or completed since last assessment, together with lands formerly under lease but now used by the university, contribute \$67,000, while the Public Library on College-street adds \$50,000, new observatory \$20,000, Knox Church \$50,000 and Catholic Church (McCaul-street) \$30,000.

Population.

The growth of business houses in Ward four is indicated by the population increase of 522. In the section north of Bloor-street the increase is 8 per cent., but in the whole of the ward the increase is less than 1 per cent.

"PIRATES" STOLE LETTERS.

Bag of Mail Taken From Mimico Post-office Recovered.

No further word has been had of the Humber River pirates save that it was yesterday discovered that they were the parties who broke into the Mimico postoffice on the night of June 21 and some 40 letters were taken. None of these, however, were registered, and as far as known none were of value. The thieves got only a dollar or so in cash, and none of the money order blanks or stamps were missing.

A number of these letters were found near the thieves "hide" yesterday.

CHASED THE TURBINE.

Related Passenger Used Gasoline Launch to Get Aboard.

There was a man yesterday down at the Turbina dock who lived up to the good old Roman rule of "find a way or make it."

He came down with the intention of proceeding to Hamilton by that boat, but was too late.

He was bemused by the slowness of the launch, which had pulled out on time, when he noticed some friends in a gasoline launch and enlisted their aid. He got into the launch and together they pursued the receding boat.

Arriving at the side, the ship temporarily stopped and a rope was lowered and the would-be passenger clambered up the side in true nautical style.

KOMURA'S NEW RANK.

Is Appointed Minister of Foreign Affairs for Japan.

TOKIO, Japan, Aug. 27.—Count Komura has been appointed minister of foreign affairs.

It is believed that the successor to Count Komura as Japanese Ambassador at London will be Baron Makino Nobuski, former minister of education.

METHODIST MISSIONS.

The executive of the Methodist Home and Foreign Mission Board met at the general conference board room here yesterday to make preparations for the annual meeting of the general board. As announced in The World last week the meeting of the general board of missions this year has been called at Vancouver on Oct. 5.

Ontario's Next Lieut.-Governor.



HON. J. M. GIBSON of Hamilton is to be the next lieutenant-governor of Ontario.

Ontario. This was stated by The World long ago, but more definitely the other morning. It is now admitted that when he severs his connection with his various corporation interests he will come to Government House. Col. Gibson was born on a farm in the Township of Toronto on New Year's Day, 1842; had an excellent career at the university and the law school and entered the practice of law in Hamilton. From 1860-1895 he was an active member of the militia, retiring as colonel of the 13th Regiment. His connection with rifle shooting has been very prominent. As a young man he was secretary of the Hamilton Rifle Association; and was elected to the legislature in 1879. He was in various cabinets as provincial secretary, commissioner of crown lands, and finally as attorney-general. He is a good entertainer.

FLOODS AT AUGUSTA, GA. CAUSE LOSS OF MILLION

Water Rushed Thru Principal Streets and Some Families Spent Night in Tree Tops.

AUGUSTA, Ga., Aug. 27.—The flood waters at Augusta began receding this afternoon. They reached the height of forty feet, probably as high as the flood of 1888, which caused damages amounting to one million dollars.

Rain has ceased in the upper valley, and there is no danger of further losses. The damage is approximately \$750,000 to \$1,000,000, and consists of damage to stocks of goods and private property, losses on the streets, destruction of city bridges and one railroad bridge across the Savannah River and breaks in the canal banks. These dependent on the canal for their water supply, and small cotton mills. Thousands of mill operatives will be idle for several months.

While the flood was at its height five fires broke out, adding to a night of terror. The McDonald lumber material establishment in North Augusta, a train of forty cars belonging to the Southern Railroad in Hamburg, just across the river, Nixon's lime, cement and hay warehouse and a huge quantity of lumber belonging to the Georgia Railway at the Georgia Railway yards were burned. There were several other smaller fires.

There have been ten to fifteen drownings, mostly of negro laborers. From 4 to 6 feet of water was the gauge on the principal streets. In different sections of the city it is reported that many spent the night in trees, as they could not find their way thru the torrent of water, which has been estimated as rushing thru the city at the rate of twenty miles an hour. Boat owners, quick to see their opportunity, have charged exorbitant prices for moving those unfortunate enough to be caught.

WILL TOTAL MILLION.

COLUMBIA, S. C., Aug. 27.—The rivers thru South Carolina continued to rise to-day as a result of Wednesday's rains in the upper part of the state, and the added loss in private and public property will run up into the millions.

A SHOOTING ON BOARD WALK

Baltimore Man Gets Four Bullets From Unknown Man.

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., Aug. 27.—Charles Roberts, said to be a prominent resident of Baltimore, was shot and seriously injured early to-day while in a rolling chair on the board walk.

His assailant, whose identity is unknown to the police, escaped. Roberts was chatting with a companion when a man dashed toward him and shot four times. One of the bullets struck Roberts in the side.

The injured man informed a hospital physician that a robbery had been attempted.

The police are investigating.

Roberts comes of an old and distinguished Maryland family, and is president and treasurer of the National Supply Co.

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GOT 11 BULLSEYES AT 800 YARDS STRAIGHT

Lieut. Elmitt of Ottawa Does Record Shooting, But Coping of Montreal Wins "City of Toronto" Match.

LONG BRANCH, Rifle Ranges, Aug. 27.—(Staff Special.)—Again the shooting averages were boosted beyond any previous accomplishment during the twenty-nine years of the Ontario Rifle Association's existence.

Two important matches were concluded to-day in the City of Toronto and the Duke of Cornwall and York competitions, and in the former the lowest score inside the prize money was 99 out of a possible 120 against 31 last year, while in the latter the lowest score winning anything was 80 points, as compared to 87 last season.

Corporal C. Copping of the 3rd Victoria Rifles, Montreal, won the gold medal in the City of Toronto match, which was fought out in two series, the first stage of which was shot Tuesday with seven rounds each at 500 and 600 yards, and the second stage to-day with 10 rounds each at 800 yards.

It is notable that in the last stage this afternoon, Lieut. F. Elmitt, 4th Regiment, Ottawa, made 11 straight bulls eyes at 800 yards, but it didn't get him anything better than second place on account of the tremendous lead which Corp. Copping came over with from last Tuesday.

Major W. C. King, 4th Regt., won the silver medal and \$25 in the Duke of Cornwall and York match by the close margin of 1 point, with five men close upon his heels with 97 points each. This is the highest score in the interest will centre in this and the tie shoot between Staff Sgt. T. Mitchell, 15th, Hamilton and Sgt. W. A. Smith, G.G.P.S., Ottawa, for the special Sir-iam Walker Trophy, for highest individual score in the Canadian Club match, fired Tuesday.

The five men who are tied for the second in the Duke of Cornwall and York match are Pte. G. Mulligan, 4th Highlanders; Lieut. F. Elmitt, 4th D.C.O.R.; Q.M. Sgt. E. H. Price, R.C. R.; Sgt. J. H. Ferguson, 48th Highlanders; and Staff Sgt. T. Mitchell, 15th, Hamilton.

Great Long Distance Shooting.

There was supreme excitement on the 800 yard firing ground, when Corp. D. McInnes, 16th, C.M.R., made eight straight bulls, a magpie and an inner at 800 yards in the second stage of the City of Toronto match, and the announcement quickly followed that Lieut. Elmitt had made ten straight bulls, with a bull for a lighter. At first the atmosphere was all "McInnes" and it was called "Elmitt," but a young corporal named Copping, from Montreal, took the wind out of their sails with eight bulls and two inner bulls, which he called "Elmitt." The trouble with Elmitt was that he had fallen away low in his first stage, coming over with 64 points, while McInnes had 66 to the good and Copping had a nice lead of a nice lead.

The shooting, as on the two previous days, was beyond anticipation. Lieut. Col. William Wallace, statistical officer, declared that there would probably never be anything like it in the ranges again. Weather conditions could not have been better if ordered ahead. In the first two days there was scarcely a perceptible breeze in wind or light, and to-day was nearly a counterpoint. The wind was somewhat stronger to-day, but that was the only change. On Tuesday and Wednesday 72 inches of wind had to be allowed at 800 yards, while to-day the experts made an allowance of 96 inches.

The Taft-Branney Match.

There were two possibilities put on in the first stage of the Taft-Branney match this morning, and both these were made with the Ross rifle. Lieut. Mortimer, who was second in the Bankers' yesterday, and Private McInnis of the Canadian Mounted Rifles, on the same butt, shot seven straight bulls, each using the new weapon. This was at the 200 yards range.

The Toronto corps are showing up well in the Taft-Branney. Two Grenadiers, 10 Highlanders and 8 Queens Own got in the money for the Duke of Cornwall and York match; 10 Grenadiers, 4 Queens Own and 8 Highlanders carried off parcels of maxima in the Toronto City contest. Curiously enough 116 points won the city match, with 114 points second, the same as last year. One point was dropped in the Duke's match, the leader making 69 points last year, while 68 won it this season.

The Kickers' Meeting.

At the semi-annual meeting of the association, playfully called the "Kickers' meeting," the committee which selects the teams for Ottawa was re-elected, whilst two changes were made in the committee which represents the

250,000 MORE VOTERS

It is estimated that the 1907 voters' lists, which will be employed for the purposes of the approaching general election, contain the names of fully 250,000 more voters than were entitled to take part in the election of 1904.

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