

**CITY ABANDONS EFFORT
TO CLEAN WATER TUNNEL** **ALL POWER CONTRACTS
MUST GO TO PEOPLE** **MILLION DOLLAR PROPERTY
FOR A NEW POSTOFFICE**

**POSTOFFICE WILL BE ENLARGED BY
EXPROPRIATION OF MILLION DOLLARS'
WORTH OF PROPERTY; NOTICE FILED**

**New Building Will Front on
Victoria Street Between
Adelaide and Lombard—
Land to East of Present
Building Will Also Be Taken
—New Site Three Times
Size of Old.**

The government will extend the Adelaide street general post-office over to Victoria street, taking in the whole block between Adelaide and Lombard streets. Property lying on the east side of the building will also be taken. Notice to this effect, dated at Ottawa, April 11, has been filed in the registry office by the Dominion Government, the property to be taken under the Expropriation Act.

The lot on the east side will be 325 feet on Adelaide and Lombard streets and 195 feet on the Victoria street side. The general square scheme has apparently been abandoned.

None of the property owners affected has received official notice from the government, although the depositing of the notice is a proper step. It is understood to give right of eminent domain over the land from the date of filing. The property is valued at close to a million dollars, and is taken up for the

**People Must Vote in Favor of
Signing a Contract Before
the Agreement With the
Private Company Can Be
Sealed and Council's Action
of Monday Is Void.**

HEADS OF EVERY DEPARTMENT IN TORONTO HYDRO-ELECTRIC RESIGNED THEIR POSITIONS.

Albert Ferguson and Bill McCowan Said to Have Entered a Number of Houses and Stolen Jewelry, Some of Which Was Found in Their Possession

It is a question of the present hour whether the Newmarket Council will be able to turn down the proposals of the Hydro-Electric Commission after all. A gathering sentiment among certain members of the Ontario Legislature is that public ownership by a direct appeal to the people is going to triumph and that a few days will show in emphatic manner that regardless of the influence of private corporations, the power of the commission will be called upon to supply the needs of every municipality in the future.

All Subscribers to the Petition Which Caused the Dismissal of Acting-Manager Sweany Tendered Their Resignations to the Commission—Signed Petition After Mature Deliberation and Were Not Led by Sweany.

Traced thru many sections of the city Albert Ferguson and "Bill" McCowan were finally rounded up by Detectives Miller and Tipton late yesterday afternoon in an hotel at Queen and Sherbourne streets. They are alleged to be

The People Rule. What appears to be a very shrewd, if not spectacular, move on the part of the power minister appeared at the closing night of the last evening in the introduction of a bill dealing with the granting of contracts to power companies by corporations. It stipulates that in future every power contract must have gained the close nod of approval by a public vote after the manner of a bylaw, before any such arrangement can be sealed. This action, it is felt, will meet with universal public sympathy and will place before the voters the option of supporting a private or a public utility in the running of the public ownership scheme.

Ten officials in the employment of the Toronto Hydro Electric Commission—the heads of every department in the service—have tendered their resignations. The dismissal of Acting Manager W. R. Sweeney by the commission caused them to take such action last night. These men are:

Build First on Victoria.
No intimation as to what will be expended in the new buildings has been given, although the engineers who had heard something about the proposal understood that the Victoria street buildings would be pulled down and replaced by a new building erected and used while the old post-office was being demolished.

To the notice of expropriation is attached a plan of the area to be secured, although details except dimensions and description of lands are given. The notice is signed by the secretary of the department of public works, R. C. Desrochers.

Properties Expropriated.
The properties affected, and their sizes are as follows:

Standard Loan Company, five storey building at the northeast corner of Victoria and Adelaide streets, ground

FREE WOOL NOT
WITHOUT FIGHT

Democratic Stand-Patters Preparing For Most Strenuous Struggle Today But Odds Are Overwhelming.

OTTAWA, April 15. (—Can. Press.)—Miss Fern J. Willoughby, aged 21, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Willoughby of this city, was justly killed this afternoon on the lawn in front of her home, when her motor car, which was being driven by her, struck her against a tree trunk and broke her neck. Her mother was standing nearby and witnessed the accident. The car, which was passing through the neighborhood, was passing the assistance of the young woman but before they reached her side she had died.

Miss Willoughby was a well-known member of the social and athletic circles of the capital. She was a popular young lady in the social circles of the capital. She was a popular young lady in the social circles of the capital.

Her father, Mr. S. J. Willoughby, had stalled as Miss Willoughby was about to start from her home. She jumped out of the car and ran toward her mother on the lawn. As she threw the crank over the machine lurched forward and plunged her between the tree and the car.

WASHINGTON, April 15.—(Can. Press.)—With the Democratic caucus making slow progress on the tariff bill the wool schedule probably will be reached tomorrow, when the opposition Democrats will make their most strenuous fight. The anti-free raw wool representatives have organized for the contest, and, altho the odds against them are admittedly overwhelming, they propose to make a determined struggle to bind the caucus to a 10 per cent duty on raw wool, as a substitute for its free listing by the committee, at the request of President Wilson.

George Arliss Acts Superbly.
It is doubtful if there has ever been a comedy presented in Toronto that made as favorable an impression as "Disraeli," with that peerling actor George Arliss, in the title role, which is at the Princess Theatre this week.

Representative Ashbrook of Ohio is chairman of the free wool conference. Failure in the caucus may result in requests for exemption from the pledge, so the fight may be continued on the floor of the house.

COMMISSION LETTER FOR JERSEY CITY

JERSEY CITY, N.J., April 15.—(Can.) President Jersey City today voted to adopt a commission form of government favored by Woodrow Wilson as governor. Hoboken, Bayonne and Union Hill rejected the plan. Jersey City is the first large municipality in the east to adopt this form of government. Preliminary to which candidates for commissioners will be nominated will be held May 12.

Dineen's Men's Hats.
Established in Toronto in 1864.
Sole agents for the best known English and American makers of men's hats. The "Heath" and "Dunlap" hats are shown only at Dineen's, 140 Yonge Street.

CIVIC BUREAU OF INDUSTRY.
KINGSTON, April 15. —(Special).—The city council has endorsed the plan of the board of trade to establish a bureau of industry and information and granted the sum of \$1,000 toward

During the month of March and the earlier part of April the following houses were entered and valuable goods stolen: 13 Hazelton avenue, 191 Colton street, 128 D'Arcy street, 603 Markham street and 81 Metcalfe street. There were several other places also broken into.

After various clues had been followed, Inspector of Detectives Kennedy decided who had committed the burglaries. Yesterday morning Detectives Miller and Tipton set out to locate the men. They found that they had sold the stolen goods to sell jewelry in stores, hotels and other buildings. The officers at last reached the hotel at Sherbourne and Queen streets.

When the detectives entered the hotel room, they found Ferguson and McCowan were drinking beer and smoking cigarettes. They told them to stop. Before either man could do anything Miller had seized McCowan and Ferguson and they were taken to the station.

Throw Stuff Away

Large and Stuffy streets, McCowan and Ferguson were taken to the police station. McCowan was handcuffed and tossed it a few feet away. The action, however, caused Detective Miller to be taken down to get possession of the jewelry. The officer took a firmer hold on him and took him to the station. At the spot where the brooches and rings lay. When Miller stooped to secure them, Ferguson saw the opportunity and got away. He failed as the detective had prepared himself for this rise.

At the station, the two men were taken to the quarters revealed a large quantity of jewelry hidden about their clothes. Ferguson was taken to the station and the street was also searched and more stolen articles found. McCowan comes from the street but could not be traced when rooming. The detectives believe the know and expect to find more of the jewelry.

WOODSTOCK TO GET RID OF CITY HALL

WOODSTOCK, April 15.—(Special).—Woodstock ratepayers are, on May 15, to vote on three by-laws. First one is to give permission to council to tear down the old city hall and leave the square vacant for a time. The idea is that after seeing how well the vacant square looks, no one will want to again erect a hall there. Then municipal offices will be built instead of a new hall at much less expense. In the meantime officials will occupy rented offices.

The second by-law is to authorize the erection of new police headquarters and court at an expense of \$10,000, and the third is to provide \$1200 for additions to

Radical Change. At the present time it is only after a vote has been taken that the commission has the right to enter and supply aid power to a municipality. It is not possible to cancel out this date. It has been allowed the privilege of making agreements to obtain power from private sources without the direct permission of the electorate. This restriction has been applied to this latter case, and in that event the outcome will at least have the sanction of the whole town and not alone of a small body of representatives.

The bill will not go thru, and if it comes into force at an early date it will create a radical change in the present situation of some municipalities.

SOMETIMES THE BEST OF FRENS
DIFFER.

Jaff: Is that yu, Johnny. Are ye fer Hydro
Electric an' Maister Adam Beck?

Jaff: Well, the' time, Senator.

Jaff: Well, are ye fer Maister Geary o
th' Ceely Hydro Commission, John?

Jaff: Yuh bet.

Jaff: Adam's no'.

John: Adam don't want to get too gay.
Th' Telly thinks Mister Geary's "a strong
wise man." So does our Johnny an' Arj
We think Reg. ought to get two salaries an
a raise as well.

John: An' how fer ceely treasurer, syn
Maister Connor's s'ao sick? Shouldna we ha
a new b'uys an' s'ince?

John: Well, ain't mister Geary 'a wise strong man' for that, too? He was 'a rich head on th' Coady-Geary three straight an' nash missions to England that hocked th' city's bonds in th' banks there.

Jaff: Who got 'em out, John?

John: That's the hookin'.

Jaff: Well, what I'm thinkin', John, is that th' controllers maun get a gude man for treasurer, that Adam an' Sir Jeems jink out a first-class man to be on th' City's Hydro Commission, an' that Reggie get bucked in th' law department, till which Th' Tuncaw'd him.

John: That's the almighty.

John: Yes, Swaggy got 'em out, too?

Jaff: Master John? Yes Atkinson is sayin' 'nash today, Mister?

Reason for Petition.
The following letter received by The World states their position:

"On account of serious statements which have recently appeared in the local press regarding the inside condition of the Toronto Hydro-Electric System, the undersigned wish to correct some false impressions which may have arisen."

"In the first place, we wish to emphatically deny that any of the undersigned, who constitute all the original subscribers to the memorial presented to the mayor and board of control, were in any way drawn into this action without mature deliberation. It is entirely unfair to draw the inference that Mr. W. R. Sweeney was the prime mover, and that the others have merely fallen in line. As an indication of the fact that every man was prepared to follow up his action to its logical conclusion, we have today severally and individually tendered our amendments to the commissioners."

Three amendments to the Municipal

Not Responsible. "We also wish to make it clear, that we are in no way responsible for the publicity given this matter," the mayor said. The original motion was presented personally to the mayor on Thursday afternoon, for presentation either privately or publicly as might seem best to him. To the best of our information the formal motion was not presented to the board by the mayor up to the time he gave it to the press on Monday.

"We must insist that conditions are such that the situation is in no way disposed of by the summary removal of the man from office, without giving the staff a fair chance to vindicate their position. It is our duty to insist on this and to do so directly in the public press, nor advisable to descend to personalities such as those leveled against me in the main article. We therefore ask for a complete investigation under the direction of the board of control and

Act, submitted by the opposition at the night's session of the legislature, which lasted till midnight, were defeated. The

N. W. Rowell's amendment, providing for a moderate form of local option taxation. This was supported by J. A. Ellis, J. C. Hanna, and J. A. Studholme, Labor. Hamilton

N. W. Rowell's amendment, granting the municipal electors the right to vote in municipal elections by ballot. At present only those who hold 21-year leases are privileged.

J. C. Hanna's amendment giving married women owning property the right to vote on money bills. T. R. Whiteside, Toronto, voted with the opposition.

Hon. W. J. Hanna and F. G. Macdonald were with the opposition. Mr. Miller in the session, voted against amendments.

FALSEHOOD, SAID PREMIER

At the opening of yesterday's session the Legislature, Sir James Whitney took occasion to refer to an item made in the Globe and Mail regarding the head of the "Speaker Hoyle Adultery" case. Sir James stated that the report was "a piece of pure fiction" and that he was in no way connected with the transaction. Speaker Hoyle, he said, did not reverse his decision, but simply stated that he was in no way connected with the decision and that the matter was taken as a precedent.

Charges Arising From Photo Engravers' Strike in Toronto and Montreal Aired in House—Opposition Apparently Biding Time Until Alberta Elections Are Over.

OTTAWA, April 15.—(Special).—It seems likely now that no bomb will be exploded by the opposition or no vote taken upon the closure resolution until after the Alberta elections. Today there was an attempt to start a discussion. The afternoon was consumed by a debate upon the grievances of the striking photo engravers of Toronto and Montreal. Mr. Carroll of South Cape Breton moved that the House should hold for the purpose of discussing the lax administration of the Immigration Act, under which strike-breakers had been imported from England. Hon. T. A. Chalmers, minister of the interior, and acting minister of the interior, made a fairly good defence, and the opposition did not insist upon a vote. Indeed, Mr. Alphonse Verville, the Labrador member, has been in support of Mr. Carroll's motion.

Resume Naval Debate.

The curtain lifting, presented by Mr. Carroll, a debate on the naval bill. After dinner recess, and Hon. Charles Marshall resumed the naval debate at 4 o'clock. Mr. Marshall, in his opening speech, in which he appealed to the government for fair play, and was followed by Messrs. Michael (Iowa), and Nelson (Maine), and Messrs. Hughes (King's), P.E.B. and Knowles (Mooselaw). Mr. McCraney then moved the adjournment of the debate.

As usual the government supporters stood up.

Mr. Stanfield had anticipated a vote tonight or tomorrow at the latest, but the present indication is that the vote on the naval bill will not occur before Friday, and possibly not before next week. It is understood that the opposition will not move for a vote on the closure debate for some hours at least, by discussing the homestead, granted to the sons of Conservative politicians.

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