

MCBRIDE RETAINS HIS SEAT BY A MAJORITY OF NINETY

Official Figures Show That Bell Is in Fourth Place in Ward Three—Mistake Was Made by Messengers Who Gave Bell a Hundred Extra Votes—The Official Figures.

The official returns of the elections on New Year's Day were handed out by City Clerk Littlejohn yesterday, and there is only one material difference in those given out by the press. The figures are:

Mayor	23,112
H. C. Hocken	9,159
Thomas Davies	15,851
John O'Neill	14,593
T. L. Church	12,803
J. O. McCarthy	12,681
F. S. Spence	11,952
F. M. Yeomans	10,841
James Simpson	10,245
Alfred Maguire	9,466
J. J. Ward	8,329
G. R. Sweeney	6,841
R. Woods	5,022

that the one error in the election returns as compiled by our special election and compilation system was in the returns showing the defeat of Ald. McBride in ward three, and I am writing this in order that you may know that this error was not the fault of the Burroughs adding machine, or the system used in tabulating the returns by means of these machines, but was one of those errors which must always be expected in making a rapid special collection of returns in the course of which the figures have to be transcribed twice before they reach the tabulators.

Three of the collectors in ward three all made errors in transcribing the vote from the official figures of the returning officers on the forms distributed by us, and strangely enough all three errors affected the count for Messrs. Bell and McBride. In subdivision 24, the returns as brought in to us by the messenger, gave McBride six votes, whereas we find by comparison with official returns that he really received sixteen. In subdivision 29, the messenger's figures showed twenty votes for Bell, instead of 29 and in division 36, where Bell actually received 60 votes, the messenger entered one hundred and sixty. With the result that these errors which there was no means of detecting until the official figures were available, made the change in the result as tabulated, which made it appear that Mr. McBride was defeated. The tabulation of the figures as handled by the Burroughs machines, was perfect so far as the addition and entering of the figures was concerned, and the fine system which the company used to check additions rendered any mistake impossible, and I simply wish to have you make public the fact that the figures given out as the total results in each case were perfect so far as the system was concerned, and the mistake was due to errors by the messengers, which it seems it is impossible to avoid.

A LIVE LOBSTER IN PARCELS POST

Handful of Shrimps Also Mailed in Violation of Law—Big Business at New York.

NEW YORK, Jan. 2.—(Can. Press.)—The first violation of the parcel post law was discovered here this afternoon, when a queer looking package addressed to Philadelphia, was opened to reveal a live lobster and a handful of live shrimp. The package was held up and forwarded to Postmaster Morgan. More than sixteen hundred packages were taken at the general postoffice here today, and many thousands more at the branch offices. At the Grand Central station branch, 8000 bundles came in during the morning from suburban towns on the New York Central and New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad. Among them were 40 cartons containing eggs.

CASTRO ENGAGES PASSAGE.

Will Sail for Hamburg by German Steamer on Saturday.

NEW YORK, Jan. 2.—(Can. Press.)—Cipriano Castro, ex-president of Venezuela, engaged passage this afternoon on the steamship Amerika of the Hamburg-American line, sailing for Hamburg, Saturday, 8 a.m. Castro will have a room and bath in cabin No. 152. His valet will accompany him.

The officers of the Hamburg-American line said that so far as they knew the Venezuelan would board the steamer at her pier like any other passenger. This would require him for a short time at least, to tread the soil of this country from which he was barred when he arrived here from Europe Tuesday on the French liner La Touraine.

No formal charge to warrant his detention has been made against Castro beyond the report of La Touraine's surgeon that his physical condition made it advisable to keep him at Ellis Island, pending further medical examination.

WHAT SIR JAMES SAYS OF VOTING

Huge Majority For Assessment Reform Is Entirely in Line With Government's Policy.

THE INTENTION IS CLEAR

There Would Have Been No Cause For Complaint Had Assessors Done Their Work Properly.

Sir James Whitney stated yesterday that the attitude of the people of Toronto, as expressed in the huge majority for assessment reform, was entirely in line with the policy of the government. He said there was no disturbing influence in the vote.

ROOSEVELT IS ONLY FEAR OF DEMOCRATS

Retiring Texas Senator in Notable Speech Says Republicans Can Never Hope to Regain Power.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2.—(Can. Press.)—Senator Joseph W. Bailey of Texas, long one of the picturesque figures and striking speakers of the U. S. Senate, before a crowded floor and galleries, his final speech as a member of that body. Within a day or two his resignation will be laid before the senate, and communicated to Gov. Colquitt of Texas, his expectation being that R. M. Johnston of Houston will be named to fill out his term, which would end on March 4.

PASTOR GOES TO VICTORIA.

LONDON, Ont., Jan. 2.—(Can. Press.)—Rev. John Gibson Inkster, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, tonight announced to his congregation his intention of accepting the call extended to him by the First Presbyterian Church of Victoria, B.C.

JOCKEYING FOR CHAIRMANSHIPS

Council Already Starting to Figure on the Leaders of the New Committees.

HOPES OF CONTROLLERS

Members of New Board Tell What Policies They Will Pursue—Cries of the Vanquished.

The 1912 board of control met its death yesterday and the controllers "celebrated" the occasion by letting Deputy Fire Chief Noble go away on sick leave; by recommending the issuance of a permit for the erection of the new McConkey Hotel, and got together with a view to urging the abolition of the small committees by council in its dying moments next Monday. Council has already passed a resolution to this effect, but a by-law is necessary. The passing of this by-law will facilitate the appointment of the new committees for 1913, as the new arrangement would necessitate the dividing of the whole of the aldermanic body and board of control between three committees.

The chairmanships of these committees, as well as the vice-chairmanship of the board of control will provide an interesting fight. Controller Church held the latter during 1912, and it is generally expected that he will make way for Controller Foster. He is something of a "twice," as he is already after the position this year, and may even aspire for a "third term."

Ald. Rowland may get a third term as chairman of the health board. Ald. Weston may fill the shoes of ex-Ald. Graham, who was chairman of the parks committee. Ald. Anderson is conceded to the chairmanship of the property committee, in place of Controller O'Neill.

What They Say. The controllers, erstwhile, would be and elected, all had something to say about the respective victories and defeats yesterday. R. M. Yeomans wants to be original, and says that he "didn't really" expect to win. He is pleased with the surprisingly large vote polled for him. He will be a candidate next year. It is hard to say just what he will do in his connection with the Industrial Farm, will still be more or less unofficially connected with this committee.

President-elect Wilson, also quoted liberally by Senator Bailey, gave the defence of his declaration that direct legislation is not in accord with the principle of American government, received only commendation from the Texas senator.

"If the man we have elected president of the United States gives the country a sane and satisfactory administration," he declared, "the Republican party will never nominate another candidate for the presidency."

"Our conflict is with Roosevelt. If our president believes he can take the radical vote away from Roosevelt, he is mistaken. The only man who can do that, and he has not succeeded well, is Eugene V. Debs. He is the only man who can out-Roosevelt Roosevelt in attracting the radical vote. What the Democratic party needs, is not the radical, but the Democratic."

New Deputy Attorney-General. WINNIPEG, Jan. 2.—(Can. Press.)—John Allen of the firm of Tupper, Tupper, McTavish & Co., had been appointed deputy attorney-general, succeeding R. B. Graham, who has handed in his resignation, in order to enter into private practice.

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