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IRREGULARITIES CALL FOR ENQUIRY
SENSATIONS IN MUNICIPAL POLITICS

Pluggers Were at Work in No. 9, Fourth Ward, While Samuel Thompson Presided.

WILLIAM BURNS AND HIS VOTES

William Burns.

The announcement in The World yesterday that a candidate for the Board of Control had voted three times on controllers' ballots in three different polling divisions created a sensation at City Hall.

This sensation was intensified when it became known that the poll books threw suspicion on ex-Ald. William Burns, a man who has been long and favorably known in connection with municipal government in Toronto.

The poll books show that Mr. Burns voted on controllers' ballots in three different polling divisions, and that in further violation of the law he voted twice on aldermanic tickets in one ward. Mr. Burns states that the suspicions conveyed by the poll books are unfounded, that he voted only once on a controllers' ballot and that he did not vote twice for aldermen in Ward One. The contrast between the revelations of the poll book and the statements of ex-Ald. William Burns are so conspicuous as to require a thoro inquiry. It is clear that if Mr. Burns voted only once on a controllers' ballot the poll books have been falsified. If, on the other hand, the poll books are accurate, Mr. Burns is brought face to face with the charge of misrepresentation of his actions on polling day.

Nedless to say, the friends of Mr. Burns decline to believe that the suspicious which are so strong against him will be borne out by the scrutiny of ballots and the taking of evidence. They point out that Mr. Burns was sure, or at least felt sure, of election to the Board of Control, and that he could have no possible motive in seeking to strengthen his vote by the few crosses which he could have made at the peril of his existence as a municipal force, and as a reputable citizen of Toronto.

Rumors Are Rife.

Mr. Burns' denial adds force to this theory, and it is generally admitted at the City Hall that a full and searching enquiry must be made to find cut whether Mr. Burns has committed an offence against the Election Act, or whether he is the innocent victim of a falsified poll book. The situation at the City Hall does not end with the allegations that have been made against ex-Ald. William Burns. The sudden collapse of the inspection proceedings yesterday morning have given rise to a large number of rumors which in effect charge that there was an understanding between the two parties for the suppression of all facts in connection with the inspection and recount. It is argued that the proceedings instituted by Mr. Slattery were conducted in a half-hearted way. Mr. Slattery insists that he developed all the facts which were necessary to his case and that there was no element of saw-off in the conditions which brought the inspection to an abrupt conclusion yesterday morning.

Charges of Plugging.

It is being charged, on the other hand, that plugging and personation took place in certain polling divisions of Ward 4 where Controller Richardson polled an abnormal majority. In polling sub-division No. 9 in Ward 4, Controller Richardson polled a vote far in excess of his strength in other divisions in that ward, and from this it is argued that there must have been irregularities in this polling division conducted by Samuel Thompson, secretary of the Ward 4 Liberal-Conservative Association. Mr. Thompson denies most emphatically that he was a party to any plugging or personation in his polling sub-division, and again we have a clash of testimony against testimony, the word of the individual being opposed to the strong suspicions contained in the election returns.

Must Be an Investigation.

It is freely admitted that the suspicions awakened by the revelations of the poll-book, insofar as ex-Ald. William Burns is concerned, and the extraordinary character of the vote in polling division No. 9 of Ward 4 can be cleared away only by a close and thoro scrutiny of the ballots. There is no middle way for the amelioration of the situation, which to-day is giving the citizens of Toronto so much concern. The publication in yesterday's World of the paragraph which throws strong suspicions on the election to the Board of Control has been the means of instituting proceedings which cannot be closed until guilt or innocence has been brought home to the parties who stand accused.

City Clerk Notified.

City Clerk Littlejohn was informed yesterday that ex-Ald. William Burns had voted more than once for the Board of Control, and a scrutiny of the polling-books revealed the fact that he was recorded as having voted as follows:

Ward 4, polling sub-division No. 8—Voted for Board of Control, aldermen and sanitarium question.

Ward 3, polling sub-division No. 7—Voted as tenant for 165 Richmond-street for Board of Control.

Ward 2, polling sub-division No. 1—Voted as freeholder on 19 Esplanade-street for Board of Control, aldermen and sanitarium question.

Ward 1, polling sub-division No. 3a—Voted for aldermen and sanitarium question; and at polling sub-division 10a voted for aldermen.

Mr. Littlejohn notified the Mayor.

William Burns resides at 209 Simcoe-street, and is on the voters' list for polling sub-division No. 8, in Ward 4. The booth for this precinct was at Mrs. Williams' house, 9 William-street, where Mr. Burns admitted that he voted for Board of Control, aldermen and the sanitarium bylaw.

What D.R.O's Affirm.

The World interviewed the other district returning officers last night, and below are their statements regarding Mr. Burns' votings:

DAVE LEROY, 166 Carlaw-avenue, D.R.O. First Ward, Division 3a, said:

"Ald. Burns came in and voted at my polling booth. I know Ald. Burns well and could make no mistake about it. He is a freeholder and votes on the ice-house. Ald. Burns voted for the aldermen and the bylaw. He did not ask for controller's paper at all."

W. C. MURRAY, 107 Pape-avenue, D.R.O. First Ward, Division 10a, said:

"Ald. Burns came in to vote and asked for a controller's ballot, which I refused him. I only handed him the ballot-paper for aldermen, and he did not press the matter. I know Ald. Burns perfectly well, and he told me he had not voted before that day. It was the first time he had voted. I think a man should vote for controllers in the booth for the district of his residence, and warned Ald. Burns to that effect."

JOHN WRIGHT, 111 Sackville-street, was D.R.O. at Polling Sub-Division 1, Second Ward, situate at Duke-street school. Mr. Wright said last night:

"Yes, Mr. Burns voted at my sub-division. I think it would be about noon, but the poll book will show that better. I know Mr. Burns personally and am certain it was he who voted. I don't remember what ballot papers he asked for, but whatever the poll book shows I will stand by. That is the only evidence there is, but it is correct. If the book shows that he voted for Board of Control, aldermen and the sanitarium bylaw, then he must have done so."

And the poll book shows he voted for all three.

William Burns Explains.

William Burns discussed the matter with the utmost frankness in speaking to a World reporter last night.

"The whole thing is so utterly absurd that I hardly know what to say," he answered in reply to a request for a statement. "I voted for the Board of Control in my own polling subdivision and at no other booth in the city. I did not apply for, receive or cast a second ballot for the Board of Control. I was known to the officials in every precinct in which I voted, and in every case was handed the ballots to which I was entitled. The deputy returning officers addressed me, saying: 'I suppose you voted for the board in your own division, Mr. Controller,' or words to that effect.

Voted on William-Street.

"I first went to the William-street booth and voted for controllers, aldermen and the sanitarium bylaw.

"Then I went to the York-street school, where I was given ballots for aldermen and the bylaw. There were a number of scrutineers there, all of whom knew me. After going into the voters' compartment the poll clerk called to me that I was not entitled to vote on the bylaw, as I was voting on leasehold property. I had overlooked this myself, but as I had not yet marked the ballot I returned it to the officer. The poll book there shows that I voted for the board alone and not for aldermen. The absurdity of this is shown by the fact that I had three staunch friends, Sheppard, Ramsden and McMurrich in the race, for whom I had the right to vote.

"After this I went to the Duke-street school and voted for aldermen and on the bylaw.

"I then went over the Don and voted on similar ballots at the Morse-street school.

Voted Only for Bylaw.

"I then went to the Hamilton-street School and voted on the bylaw alone. The deputy in charge there remarked that he was glad there was some one taking an interest in the bylaw and that I was the first man who had applied for that ballot alone. I am credited with voting only for aldermen in this division, but I was not sufficiently interested in the contest there to cause me to vote twice. I cast my ballot for the old members of the Council, but I went to Ward One, because I had promised Dr. Barrick to do what I could for the bylaw, and I voted wherever I had property."

Mr. Burns said it was a very serious matter that a public man's reputation should be endangered by so loose a system of checking the issue of ballot papers by a little tick or the initials of a clerk. The liability to error in making the check in the wrong column or on the wrong line was very great, especially where, as was the case in some precincts, mere boys acted as poll clerks.

Told There Would Be Trouble.

He further said that representations had been made to his solicitor on Thursday that if the scrutiny were gone on with, there would be trouble, but he had had no apprehension, and did not know the paragraph in yesterday's World referred to him, until last evening. He had had no special interest in the scrutiny because he had satisfied himself before it came off that there had been no serious wrong-doing, and was willing to return to his private business. He proposed to take action this morning to prove that he had received only the ballots to which he was entitled.

Samuel Thompson's Side.

Samuel Thompson, D.R.O. of polling subdivision No. 9 of the Fourth Ward, was seen by The World last night.

Mr. Thompson lives at No. 266 Borden-street. He is secretary of the Fourth Ward Conservative Association, and during the municipal campaign assisted Mr. Richardson in his organization.

Mr. Thompson denied emphatically

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ENQUIRY BY COUNTY JUDGE.

How can an enquiry into the irregularities in connection with the recent municipal elections be effected? The law provides a way. The applying section of the Consolidated Municipal Act is given below:

Investigations of charges of malfeasance, etc., or judicial enquiry in relation to municipal matters;

Investigation or enquiry by county judge:

"In case the council of any municipality at any time passes a resolution requesting the judge of the county court of the county in which the municipality is situate to investigate any matter to be mentioned in the resolution, and relating to a supposed malfeasance, breach of trust or other misconduct on the part of any member of the council, officer or servant of the corporation, or of any person having a contract therewith, in relation to the duties or obligations of the member, officer or other person, to the municipality, or in case the council of any municipality sees fit to cause enquiry to be made into or concerning any matter connected with the good government of the municipality, or the conduct of any part of the public business thereof, and passes a resolution requesting the county judge to make the enquiry, the judge shall enquire into the same, and shall for that purpose have all the powers which may be conferred upon commissioners under 'the act respecting enquiries concerning public matters,' and the judge shall, with all convenient speed, report to the council the result of the enquiry and the evidence taken thereon."—Consolidated Municipal Act, Sec. 324.

CROWN ATTORNEY WILL ACT AFTER CONSULTING JUDGE

If Circumstances Warrant It, He Will Put Detectives at Work to Collect Evidence.

Crown Attorney Curry will this morning consult with Judge Winchester concerning the advisability of taking prompt measures to unearth the irregularities that no doubt exist in the casting of the recent vote.

"If things are as they would seem, then it will be my duty to at once begin an investigation," he said last night. "Of course, I cannot act upon what I have read in the newspapers. From what I can gather, the evidence does not seem to be very strong, as far as any specific charges are concerned. There does seem to be a case of some people having voted for others. One thing I cannot understand is, that any deputy returning officer allowed some one to personate Senator Cox, as is charged. Surely, the Senator's face is well-known to all of them.

"If Judge Winchester considers that the circumstances are strong enough to warrant it, I will at once apply to the Chief of Police to have officers detailed to collect evidence of wrong-doing, and the whole matter will be threshed over in the Police Court. It is my right to do so, and no matter how much labor, time and trouble it will entail, the matter will be thoroly probed.

"Meanwhile, the matter has not been officially brought to my attention. As I have said, however, I intend to see the judge the first thing in the morning, and if there is anything that calls for inquiry it will be promptly begun."

HEAVY PENALTY POSSIBLE FOR APPLYING FOR BALLOT

City Counsel Fullerton Elucidates Law Regarding Offence Charged Against Mr. Burns.

Corporation Counsel Fullerton was seen in connection with the allegations against Ald. Burns.

"I am not going to advise you as to what anyone should do or not do," said Mr. Fullerton. "That is no part of my duty."

The World explained that the information sought was in regard to the authority under which any contemplated action should proceed, and Mr. Fullerton spoke very fully and freely.

"Under Section 324 of the act the Council may pass a resolution calling for an investigation. No special officer has jurisdiction, and the Council appears to be the proper party to act. If it is anything in this case it is a criminal matter. You will find it, I think, in the second part of the section. If it be a criminal procedure, then the County Crown Attorney or the Attorney-General should take the matter in hand."

"What are the penalties in such cases?"

"The act provides that if anyone applies——"

"Merely applies?"

"Yes, applies, not obtains—APPLIES FOR A BALLOT HE IS NOT ENTITLED TO HE IS LIABLE TO SIX MONTHS' IMPRISONMENT, OR LESS, ACCORDING TO THE PLEASURE OF THE JUDGE. The penality is provided for in Section 193 of the Consolidated Municipal Act of 1903. If a polling clerk be guilty he is liable to a term not exceeding two years. Any other person six months. Sub-section F reads: 'having voted once and not being entitled to vote again at an election—apply at the same election for a ballot paper in his own name.' Any other violation of the provisions of the election laws involves a penality of six months' imprisonment."

LET NO GUILTY MAN ESCAPE.

The World as usual was first to get the news of the sensational developments in the ballot inspection at the City Hall. All day yesterday World reporters followed up every available line of enquiry and secured interviews bearing on the situation.

Motives have been attributed to The World, but these are entirely unfounded. The World was actuated by neither friendship nor hostility to any individual or any party. Its one object was to have the truth revealed and the chaos of rumors and suspicions cleared away.

The paragraph published in The World yesterday could have no other purpose or effect than a complete scrutiny of the ballots cast in the election for the Board of Control. These proceedings are now under way, and they must not cease until every charge and suspicion has been removed or confirmed.

The scrutiny which has been instituted will do much to discourage a practice that has long been the disgrace of Canadian politics, federal, provincial and municipal. That practice is the disposition of opposing parties, Conservative and Liberal, to saw off election crimes one against the other. It is this miserable spirit of compromise that has defeated the election protests and continued in Ontario a long period of misrule.

In view of the developments at the City Hall, a serious responsibility rests on Mayor Urquhart, on the City Council, on the City Solicitor, on the City Clerk, and on the Crown Attorney. Their duty is to see that no guilty man escapes. The World welcomes The Telegram's solicitors in this endeavor which must not stop short of conviction and punishment of every man that violation of the Election Act can be brought home to.

BAD FIRE AT CALGARY.

Damage to the Extent of $200,000 Done Yesterday Morning.

Winnipeg, Jan. 15.—The most disastrous fire in Calgary's history broke out at 1 o'clock this morning, and before it was got under control, at 6 a.m., had done $200,000 damage and destroyed the following property:

Norman Block, value $50,000, owned by Senator Lougheed.

The A. Glanville's dry goods store, $30,000.

W. Robertson's clothing store, $25,000.

Sale's clothing store, $12,000.

Kerr & Terrill, grocers, $8000.

D. J. Young & Co.'s book and music store, $15,000.

New Normandie Theatre, ready for opening Tuesday, owned by Senator Lougheed.

The fire started in the furnace and would have been confined to the block had not an engine given out.

Capt. Smart was seriously injured by inhaling gas.

Senator Loughed will rebuild at once.

INTERNATIONAL LAW PREVENTS.

Application Made for Arrest of Captain of Clallam and Others.

Victoria, B.C., Jan. 15.—Application was made to-day at the coroner's inquiry into the Clallam disaster for warrant for the arrest of Capt. Roberts and others held responsible for the wreck, on charges of manslaughter. C H Lugrin, representing the Dominion government, to-day said that sufficient evidence had been secured to show criminal negligence, and he would apply to the provincial government on behalf of the Dominion government, seeking the arrest of the captain and any others held to be responsible.

But the Ottawa government has decided that, as the Clallam was an American boat, Canada cannot investigate the disaster.

"The Wizard of Oz" last season's cast. Princess, Mon., Tues., Wed. and Wed. Mat. Advance sale to-day.

BOY KILLED BY A BEAR.

Ponoka, N.W.T., Jan. 15.—An Indian boy was out hunting a few days ago, when he discovered two bears in a hole. He was successful in killing one of them, but the other attacked him, tearing and scratching him in such a manner that he died in a few minutes. His father found the bodies of the boy and bear lying side by side near the bear hole.

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EASTON SURELY INSANE.

Brantford, Jan. 15.—The case of J. Easton, the insane Dowieite, was heard to-day before Justice of the Peace Leitch. From the evidence adduced he was judged insane, and will be removed to the Hamilton asylum.

Havana Cigars at Cut Prices.
Genuine imported "La Carolina," "La Flor Cubana," "Bock," La Rosa Garcia," "La Vencedora," "La Rosa Aromatica," and other well-known brands, selling for "ten cents" "straight" at A. Clubb & Sons' only store, 49 King West.

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Full returns of the Marlboro-St. George hockey match in the last edition of The Sunday World. For sale by all newsboys.

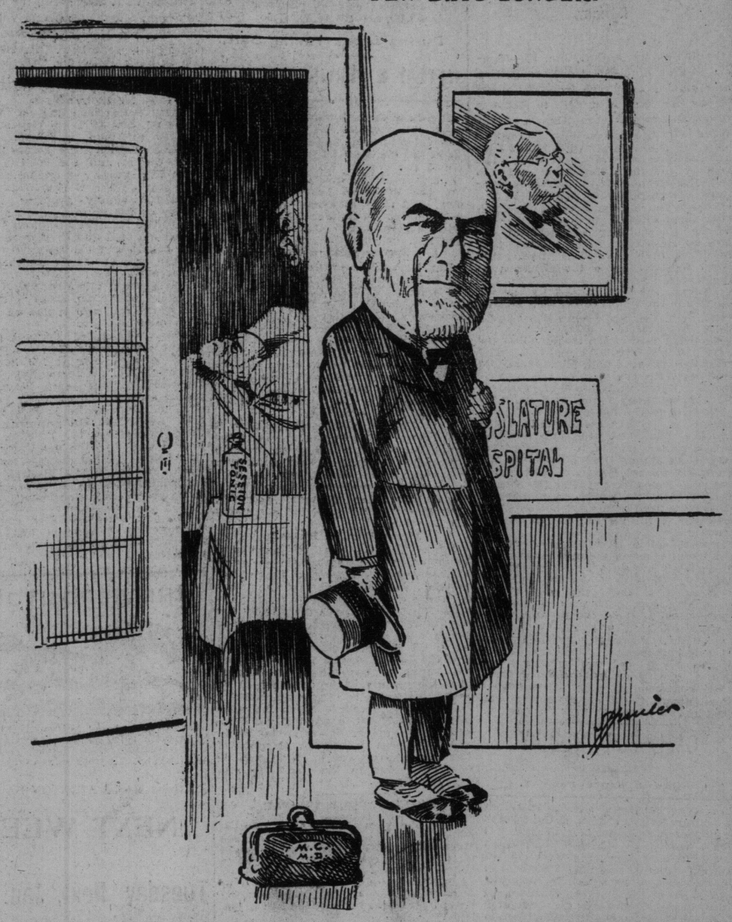
TO-DAY IN TORONTO.

Missionary Conference, Victoria College, 9.30 a.m., 2.30 p.m.
Dr. Hiram Corson at Conservatory of Music, 11.30 a.m.
Driving Club, meet at "The Gun," Queen's Park, 3.30.
Prof. Chant lectures before Canadian Institute, 8 p.m.
Y.M.C.A. "Pop" concert, Association Hall, 8 p.m.
Princess, "Eight of Other Days," 8
Grand, "Arizona," 2 and 8 p.m.
Majestic, "For Her Children's Sake," 2 and 8 p.m.
Shea's, Behman Show, 2 and 8 p.m.
Star, burlesque, 2 and 8 p.m.

SESSION IN MARCH.

Ottawa, Jan. 15.—(Special.)—The cabinet held a protracted meeting to-day, but full of importance. It is definitely settled that there will be another session of the house before an election. Parliament will be called on short notice, very probably for the first week in March. Now the long-debated question of a session before an election or after an election is put to rest.

MAY EXTEND HIS LIFE A FEW DAYS LONGER.



DR. MORTIMER CLARK: They are severely critical of my treatment of the case, but I merely agreed to his being brought to the hospital here. The case is hopeless.

WORLD GAVE FIRST NEWS TO BRODEUR OF ADVANCE

Appointment Popular in Montreal District, But Considered Not Pleasant for Prefontaine.

Montreal, Jan. 15.—(Special.)—The World's scoop in the matter of the Ottawa ministerial changes is the talk of the town to-day, and the statement is made that Hon. Mr. Brodeur's first intimation that he was to be advanced to a portfolio was when he received The World in his Montreal office. The new minister's appointment is a popular one in the Montreal district, but it is a hard nut for Hon. Mr. Prefontaine and his entourage to crack.

Hon. Mr. Tarte, who knows his men well, writes as follows in La Patrie: "The best elements of the Liberal party offered a very strenuous opposition to Mr. Prefontaine's entry into the ministry. It is in fact no secret that at the present time the most energetic protests are constantly being heard because of Mr. Prefontaine's methods, and also because of his immediate entourage. Mr. Brodeur belongs to a group different from that of the Minister of Marine."

When Mr. Tarte resigned the name of Mr. Brodeur was suggested to Sir Wilfrid by Senator Beique, Senator Dandurand and Dr. Lachappelle. The Prime Minister received their suggestions, but decided to call Mr. Prefontaine. Mr. Brodeur will do his duty to the best of his judgment, but he belongs to a school that does not believe in a protective policy. In fact he always belonged to this school."

CANADA AFTER FLOUR TRADE.

Washington, Jan. 15.—Rufus Fleming, American consul at Edinburgh, says there is great danger that this country may lose its wheat and flour trade with eastern Scotland, owing to the increased competition of Canada. Up to this time four-fifths of the flour, two-thirds of the wheat and one-half of the corn consumed in that quarter has come from the United States. Canada is making an active bid for this trade, and is being helped by British capital, which of late has invested heavily in Canadian mills and elevators.

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KEEPING YANKEES OUT.

Bellingham, Wash., Jan. 15.—The British Columbia government is succeeding in its efforts to keep American mill owners from obtaining their log supply from the British side of Puget Sound. In retaliation for the American tariff on Canadian lumber, the British Columbia government has imposed restrictions which make it impossible for American mill men to operate camps in British Columbia.

Cigars—Royal Infant, Havana, 5c, equals any 10c cigar.—Alive Bollard, 128 Yonge St. ed

UNCONFIRMED REPORT.

London, Jan. 15.—A statement published by The Evening Star that King Edward is suffering from an affection of the throat is based on an unconfirmed report that His Majesty had consulted a local physician because of a trivial sore throat during his recent visit to Chatsworth.

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THE WORLD LEADS.

On Friday, Jan. 8, The World announced in an Ottawa despatch the appointment of Mr. Bernier, Minister of Inland Revenue, to the Railway Commission, and the retirement of L. P. Brodeur from the Speakership of the House of Commons to accept the portfolio of Inland Revenue.

On Saturday, Jan. 9, The Globe published the following despatch from Ottawa: "The report in The Toronto World, stating that Mr. Bernier is to be appointed to the Railway Commission, and be succeeded by Mr. Brodeur, is laughed at here."

Yesterday The Globe published an Ottawa despatch stating that "the Hon. M. E. Bernier is resigning the portfolio of Inland Revenue, and he will be succeeded by Hon. L. P. Brodeur, the present Speaker of the House of Commons."

The Globe despatch does not explain what is to become of Mr. Bernier, but it confirms The World's report published seven days ago, that Mr. Brodeur is retiring from the Speakership to accept the portfolio of Inland Revenue. The World is admitted to have been right in one part of its despatch, and the development of the next few days will show that it was also right in the other.

NINETY THOUSAND TO CHARITY.

Numerous Bequests Left by the Late John Lyman.

Syracuse, N.Y., Jan. 15.—(Special.)—By the will of John Lyman, who died in this city Tuesday, Toronto charitable institutions are generously remembered. While Syracuse charities received $70,000 Toronto receives $20,000 more. The Toronto bequests are as follows:

Grace Homeopathic Hospital, $25,000; Knox College, Victoria University, Wycliffe, McMaster and the Y. M. C. A., $5000 each; Home for Incurables and the Sick Children's Hospital, $10,000 each; Protestant Orphans' Home, Girls' Home, Boys' Home, Aged Women's Home, Infants' Home, Women's Christian Association, Newsboys' Home, Home for Aged Couples, House of Providence, $2000 each.

Aetna D. Howe of Toronto is a legatee.

Geo. O. Merson, Chartered Accountant, Auditor, Assignee, 27 East Wellington Street, Toronto. Phone M. 4744. 246

JAPAN BUYS WHEAT.

Winnipeg, Jan. 15.—It is stated upon good authority that S. Tamura, the Japanese representative who has been in the city for several days, has closed negotiations for the purchase of a large quantity of Manitoba wheat. The contract is said to be for two shiploads of over 500,000 bushels.

Edwards, Morgan & Co., 26 Wellington Street East, Toronto. Edwards & Ronald, 48 Canada Life Building, Winnipeg. Chartered Accountants.

CANDIDATE FOR WEST HASTINGS.

Belleville, Jan. 15.—Byron Olott of Anson has been nominated by the Liberals of West Hastings for the Commons.

Cigars—Violetta, 3 for 25c.—Alive Bollard. ed

CHARLES MARCH ELECTED.

Lafayette, Ind., Jan. 15.—Charles March, Toronto, Ont., has been elected a vice-president of the Brotherhood of Painters of America. J. C. Balborn of Detroit is president.

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Confederation Life Association.
The new business written by this association during 1903 exceeds that of any previous year. 6136

CAN'T BUILD ONE SECTION OF GRAND TRUNK PACIFIC

One Hundred Miles a Virtual Impossibility From an Engineering Standpoint.

Ottawa, Jan. 15.—(Special.)—The arrival of the Grand Trunk official private car to-day, with Mr. Wainwright and other officials on board, gave rise to a fresh crop of reports about a hitch in the Grand Trunk Pacific bargain.

There is a growing opinion that grave difficulties have been found in the building of the eastern section in Northern Ontario and Quebec, and that one place about 100 miles in extent is virtually an impossibility from an engineering standpoint. Streams running across proposed lines are very numerous and bridge work will be enormous.

The presence of Grand Trunk officials would indicate that some important negotiations are in progress.

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It has been remarked generally the tremendous advance in popularity made by Radnor Water, Canada's sparkling beverage fresh from the Laurentian Mountains.

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BIRTHS.

KILK—At 54 Macdonald-avenue, on Thursday, 14th inst., to Mr. and Mrs. F. Kilk a son.

CORK—On Thursday, Jan. 14th, at 1468 Queen-street West, Parkdale, the wife of V. Melton Cork of a son.

DEATHS.

ADDISON—At Grace Hospital, on Friday, Jan. 15, John Hardill Addison, Barrister, of 80 Cumberland-street, formerly of Whitby, in his 56th year.

Funeral will take place from Whitby to the Union Burial Ground, on arrival of the Monday afternoon train from Toronto. The remains will be at Millard's Undertaking Establishment till then.

BANKS—At her mother's residence, 75 Markham-street, Jan. 14, 1904, Emma Fleurine Banks, aged 23 years, only and beloved daughter of Clara Banks.

Funeral on Saturday at 2.30 p.m.

CATHCART—On Jan. 14th, 1904, at No. 12 Vanauley-street, John H. Cathcart, butcher, aged 38 years.

Funeral Saturday, at 3.30 o'clock. Friends will please accept this intimation.

HYDE—At 22 Selby-street, on Friday, Jan. 15, Rebecca Frances, relict of the late Charles James Hyde, and daughter of the late Captain Charles McVittie.

Requiem high mass on Monday at 9 o'clock, at Our Lady of Lourdes Church.

MOUNTSTEPHEN—On Jan. 15, 1904, at 8 Trinity-square, James Mountstephen, aged 58 years.

Funeral Saturday to Norway Cemetery. Sherbourne-street. Funeral private.

McLEAN—On Thursday, Jan. 14th, at 172 Sumach-street, Mrs. Isabella McLean, aged 68 years.

Funeral Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock, to Mount Pleasant Cemetery.

NORTON—At Bell Ayre, Shelbourne, Ont., Jan. 14, 1904, Thomas Norton, M.D.

Funeral Sunday, 17th inst.

WALSH—At her late residence, 63 Gloucester-street, on Jan. 14, 1904, Ann, beloved wife of James Walsh, in her 73rd year.

Funeral Saturday morning, at 9 a.m., from St. Basil's Church.

WALSH—At her late residence, 115 Baldwin-street, on Friday, Jan. 15, Margaret Law, relict of the late Michael Walsh and cousin of Rev. Frank Walsh, C.S.B., of St. Michael's College.

Funeral on Monday, the 18th inst., at 9 a.m., to St. Patrick's Church, thence to St. Michael's Cemetery. Requiescat in pace.

WITH NO BUSINESS READY LEGISLATURE TAKES REST

Speech From the Throne Moved and Seconded in Exceptionally Able Addresses.

It was agreed between the leaders on both sides of the House yesterday that they should defer their speeches on the address until Monday. Consequently quite a large number who had come to hear Mr. Whitney and Premier Ross were turned away disappointed. Mr. Whitney was on his feet after the seconder of the reply to the speech had sat down, when Premier Ross suggested an adjournment. Mr. Whitney agreed, but in conversation with The World afterwards he remarked that the government was not anxious to go on, no doubt, because it had no business ready.

The mover of the address acquitted himself with credit. It was his maiden effort. He is deliberate and effective, giving one the impression of forensic training. It was a speech that was evidently well thought out, but not written. His words are always well chosen, his enunciation clear and his gestures reserved. Standing erect and not straining for effect he made a good impression on his hearers.

There was no preliminary business, the only item on the order paper being the "consideration of the speech of His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor at the opening of the session." After prayers Premier Ross moved that the speech be taken up, and Charles Napier Smith of Sault Ste. Marie took the floor amid the liberal applause of the government benchers.

Smith of Sault Ste. Marie.

He had just got thru a by-election in New Ontario, Mr. Smith informed the House in his opening sentences. It was one of the fiercest contests ever waged in that country, but notwithstanding that the electors had returned the speaker by a comfortable majority. He discussed the collapse of the Soo industries, but predicted that the setback the town had received would be of short duration, and that it would not be long before all the wheels of industry there would again be turning. There were $18,000,000 invested in the industries of the Soo. They had a steel rail mill capable of turning out 600 tons of steel rails a day. There was a railway built, with the assistance of the province, which would some day be extended to Hudson Bay, connecting the head of the great lakes with salt water. The member for the Soo here took occasion to express the thanks and appreciation of the men connected with the collapsed industries for the aid extended by the government, which enabled them to receive the money which was coming to them in wages. The government had acted wisely in this matter.

Disposal of Timber Wealth.

The government was disposing of the fine resources of the north country in the wisest manner. There were employed in the woods of New Ontario thousands of men at the highest wages paid in Ontario, and so great was the activity in the lumber camps that when 3500 men were thrown out of office at the Soo they were able to secure good employment not far distant from their former employment.

Mr. Smith adverted to the recent timber sale, claiming the success of that sale was due to the sagacity of

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MUST REMOVE SURTAX.

(Canadian Associated Press Cable.)

London, Jan. 16.—The Post's Berlin correspondent wires that the German government is being strongly urged that unless the tariff armistice is concluded with the Dominion without delay the German export trade will be lost. To avoid this, many German firms agree to pay the surtax out of their own pockets.

GOES FOR FREE TRADERS.

London, Jan. 15.—The by-election in Norwich for a successor to the late Sir Harry Bullard, resulted in the free traders gaining the seat. The vote was as follows:

Tillet, Liberal, 8756.
Wild, Unionist, 6750.
Roberts, Labor, 2440.

Persian Lamb Jackets.

After all said and done, is there anything more absolutely stylish and comfortable in the garment line than a Persian Lamb Jacket? There's an excellent chance to get something real good in this line at Dineens'. They are selling the balance of a splendid lot of jackets, the regular price of which was $125. They will be sold at $8 5each.

MILDER.

Meteorological Office, Toronto, Jan. 15.—(8 p.m.)—Light snowfalls have occurred today in the Lake Superior region; elsewhere in Canada the weather has been for the most part fine and decidedly cold.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: Victoria, 24—42; Calgary, 4—22; Qu'Appelle, 6 below—zero; Winnipeg, 4 below—zero; Port Arthur, 8 below—26; Parry Sound, 10 below—8; Toronto, 6—23; Ottawa, 2 below—8; Montreal, 4—8; Quebec, 4—10; Halifax, 26—36.

Probabilities.

Lower Lakes and Georgian Bay—Fresh to strong southerly, gradually shifting to westerly and northwesterly winds; milder to-day, with light snow falls; turning colder again at night.

Ottawa and Upper St. Lawrence—Fair to cloudy, with light snowfalls towards evening or at night; a little higher temperature.

Gulf—Fair and cold to-day; light snowfalls at night or during Sunday.

Maritime—Fresh to strong winds, shifting to southwesterly and southerly; fair and cold to-day; higher temperature on Sunday, with some light falls of snow or rain.

Superior—Fresh to strong westerly to northwesterly winds; fair and considerably colder and local snow flurries.

Manitoba—Fine and decidedly cold.

Greatest spectacle of year—"Wizard of Oz." Princess, first half of week. Advance sale to-day.

The World Office is open till 12 o'clock Saturday night. Information relative to any Saturday afternoon sporting event cheerfully given. All sporting intelligence appears in the last edition of The Sunday World.

STEAMSHIP MOVEMENTS.

Jan. 15.	At.	From.
Lucania	New York	Liverpool
Cassel	New York	Bremen
Pretoria	New York	Hamburg
Noordland	Philadelphia	Queenstown