MANITOBA'S PREMIER PRESENTS SOLUTION OF LABOR TROUBLES

Sympathetic Co-operation Between Capital and Labor Only Cure.

SPEAKS IN LEGISLATURE

Winnipeg, Jan. 27.—(By Canadian Press).—Declaring that sympathetic co-operation between capital and labor was the only solution of labor troubles such as had occurred in Winnipeg last year and expressing confidence that this would be achieved by the conferences now taking place between representatives of the employers and the employes in conjunction with members of the legislature with a view to arriving at an understanding on labor laws for the consideration of the house, Premier T. C. Norris took part in the debate on the address at the session of the legislative assembly of Manitoba this afternoon.

Premier Norris admitted the administration had not been able to reduce the cost of civil government of the province. The civil service had grown, he pointed out, owing to the increased requirements of the province and remuneration had to be advanced so as to provide for the employes a living wage, in view of the high cost of living.

Criticizes New Building.

The premier was preceded by Albert Prefontaine, leader of the opposition, who criticized the expenditures of the government on the new parliament buildings, stating that the public accounts showed they had cost two millions more than the original estimate. He claimed the increases in the civil service were due to increases to employes who did not deserve them. He also criticized the administration of the temperance act and asserted that the restrictions on the sale of liquor were not enforced.

Dealing with this point, Premier Norris claimed that such legislation could be made effective by the co-operation of the people and he said he would be glad of the help of the opposition in this direction.

HOLD HYDRO BYLAW UP IN THE COUNCIL

Third Reading of Radials' Vote is Shelved by Aldermen.

Hamilton, Ont., Jan. 27.—With Controller Aitchison inserting the necessary objection, the third reading of the by-law to guarantee bonds of $607,400 for Hamilton's share of the cost of the Hamilton-Elmira line of Hydro radials, was automatically shelved at the meeting of the city council last night.

The movement to hold up the third reading got its start at the meeting of the board of control in the morning and Controllers Davis and Aitchison, who declaiming the charge that there were obstructionists, claimed that the council was entitled to information from the provincial commission that it was not now in possession of.

Controller Davis said he wanted an assurance regarding what the power situation would be two years from now.

Hints at Obstruction.

Ald. McQuesten thought he saw in the tactics of the board of control a hint of the obstruction that always confronted Hydro projects. Those who were knocking Hydro loudest now were those who had never voted for Hydro, he declared.

"Let them go to their old friend, the Cataract Power Co., for relief," he added. Ald. Radigan, supporting the amendment to defer action, said an effort should be made to have power now going to the United States being kept in Ontario.

Controller Aitchison pointed out that the city was already committed to a guarantee of six million dollars and should be told whether or not it would be expected to wait for five years for Hydro radials. When the third reading was reached, he objected, and it was automatically shelved for two years.

Object to Sewer.

Ald. Fernside adopted similar tactics on the third reading of the bylaw to provide a four-inch sewer well and pumping equipment on Simcoe street, he claiming that this equipment would be useless. He will press his point two weeks hence.

Ald. Fernside's motion to have the city take over the work of cleaning snow from all sidewalks, was laughed down, 16 to 3. Ald. Stamp was agreeable to his motion to petition the legislature for a change in the municipal election date being withdrawn for two weeks. Ald. Gurrey had protested against the change.

Ex-Controller T. M. Wright was appointed to the cemetery board to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Thos. Lovejoy.

John Peebles and Geo. D. Fearman were reappointed to the cemetery board and Mayor Booker returned A. J. Wright and Col. B. O. Hooper, whose terms on the parks board had expired.

GERMANY SEEKS TO SAVE HER WAR CRIMINALS

Paris, Jan. 27.—The German government has sent a note to Paris, trying once more to induce the allies to renounce execution of article 228 of the peace treaty, dealing with the surrender of persons accused of acts in violation of the laws and customs of war.

The note affirms that the execution of article 228 would infallibly cause political and economic troubles, which would have a serious effect on the production of the nation, particularly in the case of mines.

The German government again proposes that the trial of such persons be held in Germany, with the participation of allied representatives.

FRANCE TO PROMOTE HIGHER BIRTH RATE

Paris, Jan. 27.—The president has signed a decree presented by the health ministry, instituting a higher birth council. This council is charged with investigating measures against depopulation and developing natality.

THOMAS IS ELECTED DIRECTOR-GENERAL

Paris, Jan. 27.—Albert Thomas, the French labor leader, was unanimously elected director-general of the international labor organization at today's session of the governing body here. This action ratifies the provisional nomination of M. Thomas for the office made at the labor conference at Washington in November.

The organization adopted the six conventions and six recommendations voted by the Washington conference. They were referred to the secretary of the league of nations, who will transmit them to the various governments for ratification.

Exception was taken by representatives of the employers of Sweden and Switzerland to the strict application of the eight hour law to small trades and businesses.

TELEGRAPH RATES DEBATED IN OTTAWA

W. N. Tilley Argues That Railway Board Has Power to Increase Charges.

Ottawa, Ont., Jan. 27.—(By Canadian Press)—The final stage in the telegraph rates case was reached this afternoon when W. N. Tilley, K. C., counsel for the telegraph companies, opened his argument which he will probably conclude when the hearing is resumed tomorrow morning. Mr. Tilley commenced his argument following the examination of C. E. Fluent, comptroller of the Canadian National Railways. His line of reasoning was calculated to show that the board of railway commissioners had authority to regulate telegraph rates in eastern Canada notwithstanding provisions of any special statute and that the board was in a position to increase the twenty-five cent rate at present obtaining in Ontario and Quebec.

Before Mr. Tilley started speaking, J. E. Walsh, solicitor for the Canadian Manufacturers' Association, made a brief statement to the effect that the organization he represented was prepared to leave the case in the hands of the board. The association assumed that the telegraph companies were in the same position with regard to increased costs of operation as were all other organizations. He directed the attention of the board to the increases asked for in the maritime provinces, which he thought would bear looking into.

Case for Those Opposed.

Following the completion of Mr. Tilley's argument tomorrow morning, it is probable that Mr. H. J. Symington, representing the Winnipeg board of trade, will present the case for those opposed to the increases. The Winnipeg delegation seems very determined in their decision to probe the telegraph company's condition to the bottom and to understand fully the reasons for the application.

Members of the delegation stated that something in the way of advances may be required to put the company on a basis permitting of good and constant service for the public, but beyond what is required in reason, together with a fair return on several investments, they are not prepared to go. The westerners state they feel that everything which might reveal the true condition of the company should be brought to light to the end that no injustice may be done either the companies or the public.

Argument is Technical.

Mr. Tilley, whose argument was of a rather technical nature, dealt at some length with the agreement which was entered into between the Montreal Telegraph Company and the Great Northwestern Telegraph Company when the former was taken over by the latter company. He was of opinion that there was no good argument in this agreement or the statutes which made a 25-cent rate compulsory in eastern Canada. At any rate the railway act, he stated, gave the board of railway commissioners jurisdiction over all rates, whether controlled by special statutes or not, and, therefore, the board was in a position to revise rates if it saw fit. He cited portions of the statute in support of his contention.

FURTHER EXTENSION IS ASKED BY HUNGARY

Paris, Jan. 27.—The Hungarian delegation has asked for an extension of time—until Feb. 12—for delivery of its observations on the allied peace conditions. The request is based chiefly on the fact that the national assembly will not meet until Feb. 7, and the delegates, who for the most part are members of the assembly, desire to participate in the proceedings in order to explain the situation to their colleagues.

Winnipeg May Re-engage Former Postal Employes

Winnipeg, Jan. 27. — (Canadian Press.)—Postmaster J. McIntyre said today he had received from the post-office department at Ottawa word that ex-employes of the Winnipeg post-office who so desire may re-enter the service as vacancies occur, subject to certain conditions. Application must be made direct to the civil service committee at Ottawa. Whether this order includes employes who joined the sympathetic strike last May is not disclosed.

Goes Into Soviet Russia With Passport for Scandinavia

London, Jan. 27.—The news that George Lansbury, former Socialist member of the house of commons, has arrived in Stockholm on the way to Soviet Russia caused considerable surprise in official circles, where there had been no previous intimation that he intended to make such a trip.

It was said today that the passport of Mr. Lansbury was made out for Scandinavia. The purpose of his trip to Soviet Russia is a matter for speculation, altho his extremist views are well-known.

SPANISH SOLDIERS KILLED

Madrid, Jan. 27.—In an engagement between Spanish troops and Moors at El Arish, Morocco, on Jan. 23, eight Spanish soldiers were killed and eight wounded. Major Trias, commanding the Spaniards, also was wounded.

LEAGUE COUNCIL TO MEET IN LONDON

Will Discuss Constitution of Permanent Court of International Justice.

APPOINTMENT OF JUDGES

Washington, Jan. 27.—The second meeting of the council of the league of nations, which in reality will be the first actual business meeting, will be held in London probably February 10, according to advices received here today. At this meeting the council plans to enter upon consideration of one of the most important subjects with which it has been charged under the treaty of peace, namely, the constitution of the permanent court of international justice. The first meeting of the council held in Paris, January 16, confined itself to matters of organization necessary to meet contingencies that had arisen under the treaty, such as the appointment of the Saar valley boundary commission, which had to be named within fifteen days after the ratification of the treaty.

The organizing committee is expected to have a most difficult and complex task. The plan for an international court has been one of the most discussed of all of the league of nations' provisions and suggestions for its constitution have poured in from all sides. Both the Germans and the Austrians submitted a most detailed program in their counter-proposals to the allied and associated powers at the peace conference; the three Scandinavian countries, Norway, Sweden and Denmark, in long meetings last summer agreed upon a joint plan to be pressed before the league; and Switzerland also has worked out an elaborate mechanism which was presented at the conference between representatives of the neutral states and of the league of nations' commission in Paris last spring.

Appointment of Judges.

All these plans laid principal stress on the method of the appointment of judges, which proved to be the rock on which The Hague conferences broke. The small nations stand united for the principle of the equality of states and consequently of the equal voting power of states in the selection of judges. The big powers however, have refused to entrust their interests to a court where they are not assured proportionate representation. All the plans at present submitted avoid this difficulty by ingenious variations of the panel system, assuring, first, the choice of the world's most famous international jurists, regardless of nationality; second, the presence of not over one or at least two members of the same nation on the roster; third, the disqualification of any judge in any case in which his own nation is involved, and fourth, the right of challenge by any national involved of a certain number of the judges elected for a particular case, with their consequent replacement by lot from other judges on the panel.

U. S. Government Property Wantonly Destroyed

Charleston, W.Va., Jan. 27. — So much valuable government property was wantonly destroyed during the construction of the federal powder plant at Nitro, W.Va., that John Tinsley, a witness before the congressional sub-committee investigating the question here today, declared that he was moved to protest.

Tinsely, who was employed at Nitro, said he had seen motor trucks in first-class condition driven into ravines and buried, while wagons, copper fittings and many other valuable materials had been thrown away.

Detroit to Vote in April On a Civic Street Railway

Detroit, Mich., Jan. 27.—The common council voted tonight to submit to the voters at the April election a proposal to bond the city for $15,000,000 with which to build a municipally owned street railway system. The tentative plans call for nearly 200 miles of new trackages, to be operated in competition with the Detroit United Railway. The plan has been endorsed by the street railway commissioner and was drawn up by Mayor Couzens.

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YORK COUNTY AND SUBURBS

COUNTY COUNCIL BEGINS BUSINESS

Reeve Gardhouse Elected York Warden by Small Majority.

With 39 members present, the York county council held its first session of the year yesterday afternoon in the county of York municipal buildings, 57 East Adelaide street. While many of last year's members again occupied their seats in council there were several new faces to be seen.

Considerable interest was evinced in the election of a warden for the council. Two candidates were nominated for the honor, C. L. Wallace, reeve of Woodbridge, and J. M. Gardhouse, reeve of Weston. The results of the ballot showed that both candidates had many supporters in council and it was only by a majority of nine that Reeve Gardhouse was elected. Both candidates in their pre-election speeches appealed for support on their length of service in the council. Reeve Wallace of Woodbridge has had eight years' service in council and was elected seven times by acclamation, while Reeve Gardhouse of Weston has occupied his seat in council nine years and was elected six times by acclamation.

Object to Memorial.

Contained in the correspondence before the council was a communication from the district command of the G.W.V.A., which objected to the proposed scheme of erecting a war memorial at Bond Lake and requesting that a sum of money be set aside in aid of local memorials. Another letter from the Toronto and Hamilton highway commission asked that the council elect three representatives to meet the commission to discuss, along with representatives from other municipalities, matters of interest in connection with the Toronto-Hamilton highway. A letter was also received from the Navy League of Canada asking that a grant of $10,000 be allotted to that association in aid of needy cases among the Canadian seamen residing in the county.

The following members were elected to the striking committee, whose duty it is to appoint standing committees for the year. They were: Reeves, Cronsberry, Gardhouse, Keith, Stewart, Bugsley, Wallace and Whitmore.

MOVIES INVADE EARLSCOURT.

St. Clair avenue, Earlscourt, was the scene of considerable excitement yesterday afternoon, when a team of splendid malamutes, harnessed to a big sleigh, came to a halt at the corner of Dufferin and St. Clair. Residents were puzzled to know the reason for such an invasion until a group of photographers appeared representing a moving picture company and proceeded to place the dogs in position. Hundreds of people soon gathered, and some trouble was experienced in keeping the crowd back. The movie photographers at last got the dogs into position on the snow-covered roadway and took the picture. The traffic was held up for several minutes.

ST. CHAD'S HEARS CAPT. REID.

Captain A. M. Reid, M.C., one of the delegates to the interdenominational Christian conference of the 18,000 students of the North American continent recently held at Des Moines, Iowa, gave an interesting address last night at St. Chad's Anglican Church, North Dufferin street, Earlscourt. Mr. Reid is the president of the first-year science and engineering faculty in Toronto University, a class of 400 students, 300 of whom are returned soldiers.

CYCLIST AWARDED DAMAGES.

Clement Knowles, a minor, under the age of 21 years, suing by Wm. Knowles, his father, as his next friend, in the supreme court, before Mr. Justice Lennox and a jury, was yesterday awarded $225 damages for injuries caused to him in July last. While riding his bicycle south on Dufferin street, near the Fairbank Hotel, on the afternoon of that day, he was run down by an auto owned and driven by Ford Black.

DANFORTH METHODIST CAMPAIGN.

In connection with the national campaign the financial endeavor assigned to Danforth Methodist Church was $15,000 and to discuss ways and means a meeting of the congregation was held recently with Rev. J. J. Coulter in the chair. After a lengthy discussion it was decided to hold a further meeting this evening when committees will be appointed and officers elected for the necessary organization. C. H. Fortner was appointed chairman of the special finance committee.

A meeting of the Hope Methodist men was also held last evening in the church, Danforth avenue, when confirmation of the plans and other arrangements were made. Rev. A. I. Terryberry, pastor, presided.

EPWORTHITES ENJOY RIDE.

The Hope Methodist Epworth League held their annual sleigh ride in the country last night. Two large sleighs filled with young people enjoyed a two hours' run in the bracing air. Returning to the church, a social hour was afterwards spent.

TO PAVE EAST GERRARD STREET.

It is expected that the works department will commence work in the early spring on the proposed asphalt pavement to be laid on East Gerrard street, between Main street and east city limits.

The pavement is to be 42 feet wide on eight-inch concrete foundation with brick block gutters, less 18 feet track allowance. The cost is estimated at $182,441, of which $127,640 is to be paid by the corporation. The cost to the ratepayers interested is to be spread over 10 annual instalments.

ICE STALAGMITES FORMED

A remarkable instance of the intense cold of the last few days is to be seen at the G. T. R. yards, East Toronto, where two solid pillars of ice nearly 30 feet in height were caused by a leaking water tower near the round house, freezing solid during the 20 degrees below zero spell on Sunday last.

EAST TORONTO ENJOYS HOCKEY

For the amusement of the young people in the section an excellent hockey cushion has been fixed on the vacant land on East Gerrard street near Main under the supervision of the East Toronto Y. M. C. A.

An exciting game was played last evening between East Toronto Maple Leafs and the Athletic Club, resulting in a win for the former by 2 goals to 0. B. Ward was the captain of the Maple Leafs and Percy Pierce championed the Athletics.

GLEDHILL SCHOOL CONGESTED

Owing to the congested situation in Gledhill school, Gledhill avenue, application for an additional two rooms will be made to the board of education authorities in the spring, according to the statement of the principal.

BUILDING BRISK

H. G. Sanderson, builder, East Toronto, is at present erecting one pair of solid brick stores and dwellings to cost between $8000 and $9000 each on the corner of Meagher and Danforth avenues.

Owing to increasing business Gills and Rice's solid brick garage on the corner of Main street and Danforth avenue is being considerably enlarged. The handsome brick and stone Home Bank building on the southwest corner of Main street and Danforth ave. is now rapidly approaching completion and will shortly be opened for business.

Despite the extreme cost of all building material, immense building activity is expected thruout the east end in the early spring.

GOODFELLOWS' CLUB HONOR BURNS.

Under the auspices of the Goodfellows' Club connected with Rhodes avenue Presbyterian Church a "Burns" night was held last evening in the Sunday school room. D. S. Blyth, president, occupied the chair. A program of Scottish music was contributed by local artists and an interesting address on the life and times of Robbie Burns was delivered by P. McIntosh, president of the Veterans' Business College. There was a large attendance of members and friends.

KIEL DOCKYARDS ARE INACTIVE

All Types of Warships Are Moored There, But Only Six in Commission.

London, Jan. 27.—The Reuter correspondent with the International Naval Commission at Kiel, says the commission inspected the dockyards there on Saturday and left Monday for Berlin. There was virtually no activity around the harbor during the stay of the commissioners. All types of German warships were moored in the harbor. Only two cruisers and four destroyers were in commission. A 32,000 ton battleship, half completed, and untouched during the last fourteen months, and other giant vessels, their armor plates removed and engines and funnels rusteaten, were also to be seen.

The whole scene in the dockyards and harbor, says the writer, gave a most vivid idea of the complete submission and defeat of the German navy. The spirit of the German seamen, however, was not in the slightest broken. They sang patriotic songs on the arrival and departure of the commission.

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NEW G.A.C. POST FORMED.

A new post of the G.A.C., to be known as the Richmond Post, was formed last night at Richmond Hill. The organization meeting was well attended, and was held in the town council chamber. J. F. Marsh, Dominion organizer, and R. C. Sturtt, secretary of the organization committee, addressed the meeting. The officers elected were: President, J. H. B Morris; secretary, L. C. Walder; treasurer, A. H. C. Scott; tyler, W. J. Kerswell; executive, T. Grumbell, C. Faye, S. Fodden, A. W. Taylor. The next general meeting will be held in the council chamber on Thursday, Feb. 5.

CRUELTY TO HORSES.

St. Catharines, Ont., Jan. 27. — Complaint has reached the local Humane Society and an investigation will be made into the action of certain farmers leaving horses to run on the Niagara military reserve all thru this severe wintry weather. One horse died of exposure. The owner removed the hide and left the carcass for the township authorities to bury. High Constable Boyle has charge of the investigation.

STRIKE DECLARED BY JOB PRINTERS

With Pressmen and Bookbinders Are Out for Increased Wages.

Hamilton, Jan. 27.—Nearly every job printing establishment in Hamilton has been tied up by the job printers, pressmen and bookbinders going on strike today for increased wages. Negotiations for a settlement were carried on between the international officers and the employers for some time, but these failed, and the men went on strike this morning. Nearly all the job printing plants in the city are tied up, about 150 members of the allied printing trades being out, having turned down the final proposition of the employers to arbitrate. The local employers offered what they considered were substantial increases to all the trades affected, and in the case of the printers $1 a week more than the Toronto scale.

Montreal Board of Trade Disproves War Profits Tax

Montreal, Jan. 27.—Only two matters of importance were brought up at the annual meeting of the Montreal Board of Trade this afternoon. These were a strong endorsation of the action of the council against renewal of the business profits war tax, and another resolution endorsing action in favor of any move leading to closer trade relations with the British West Indies.

The new president, Mr. George Summer, was formally installed in office, and the retiring president, Mr. John Baillie, delivered his valedictory address.

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SEMENOVITCH TAKES STAND IN DEFENCE

In Answering Murder Charge Says Blow With Ax Was Accidental.

Hamilton, Jan. 27.—In the trial of Harton Semenovitch for the murder of John Rapchinski, which occupied the attention of the assizes all day today, the outstanding feature came this afternoon when the prisoner went into the witness box in his own behalf. He gave his evidence in a confident tone and answered all questions unhesitatingly. He said in part, "I met my wife running down stairs, getting away from John. She said John swore at her. I went on, John slapped me in the face and I hit him. John got a brush. I told him to go to sleep and not to make trouble. I put the light out. John Vitzalo asked me not to put the light out. John swore and said he was going for the police. He went and came back in half an hour with Tony Vitalo and John Rapchinski. I did not know what happened as I was sleeping. My wife awakened me, and told me John Vitzalo had come with two others to beat me up. I told her to go for the police and she went away, while I lay down and rocked the baby. My wife came back in a minute and said they would kill me before she got back. I got up and went to the shed to hide myself. I wanted to lock myself in, but could not as the lock was on the outside. I lighted a match and got the ax and went to my room. The baby was crying and I was rocking it, but I had the ax in my hand. I heard my brother say, 'I am a boarder here just like the others.'

Says Ax Was for Defence.

"When I heard John Vitzalo swearing I was afraid there might be trouble as he insulted my brother. I took the ax to defend myself and went upstairs. When I came into the room I asked what the trouble was about, as the boarders were sleeping. I asked also what he wanted to kill me for. John Vitzalo said that I was playing dog, and he dared me to come and fight him, and swore. When I came in John Rapchinski was sitting facing my brother. John Vitzalo jumped at me and I started to swing the ax. John Rapchinski turned toward me and said he was going to kill me then. I started to swing the ax. Tony got hold of my throat and John of my right hand. I had the ax in my right hand swinging it. John Rapchinski swore and said there was going to be a box. When I was making swings with the ax all the time, John Rapchinski jumped under the ax and I hit him."

Claims Hit a Mistake.

In answer to a question, witness said he did not intend to hit Rapchinski. That the latter was standing and fell down. Witness then threw the ax down and ran to the police station, undressed, to warn the police of what had happened. Other witnesses gave evidence corroborative of testimony given previously during the trial.

The evidence was concluded this afternoon, and the court adjourned at six o'clock, until tomorrow morning, Mr. Justice Kelly being of the opinion that it would be impossible to conclude tonight, even if a night session were held.

Moore Sovereign Consistory In Fortieth Annual Reunion

Hamilton, Jan. 27.—The 40th annual reunion of Moore Sovereign Consistory, A.F. and A.M., is being held in the Masonic Hall. It opened at 2.30 o'clock this afternoon, and will continue till Thursday evening. Degrees from the 19th to the 32nd will be conferred. Geo. Moore, 33rd degree, is the presiding officer of the consistory; L. F. Stephens, 32nd degree, the chairman of the general committee of arrangements, and W. M. Logan, 33rd degree, secretary. About 500 are in attendance. A number of prominent Masons from out of town were present.

Canon Shatford of Montreal, a leading Mason, and an eloquent speaker, will be present and give an address.

Controllers Promise to Confer About Soldiers' Insurance

Hamilton, Jan. 27.—John Anderson, M.C., and M. M. Robinson, accompanied by George G. Halcrow, M.L.A., constituted a delegation from the Soldiers' and Sailors' Federation, which waited upon the board of control today and succeeded in getting the board to arrange a conference with the soldiers' benefit fund committee over the much disputed payment of soldiers' insurance. Controllers Aitchison and Davis, and Mayor Booker expressed themselves in favor of paying out a lump sum to all beneficiaries, widows who have remarried, included.

Miss Ellen P. Crandall Gives Lecture on Nursing

Hamilton, Jan. 27.—Under the auspices of the local chapter of the Graduate Nurses' Association of Ontario, an instructive address was delivered this afternoon in the Y.W.C.A. by Miss Ellen Philips Crandall, R.N., executive secretary of the national organization for public health nursing of New York City. Miss Insole presided. Miss Crandall traced the evolution of the nursing profession, and told of the importance of public health nursing in the present day.

LAPLAND BABIES

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WORKERS' COMMITTEE.

QUESTIONNAIRE RULE BRINGS COMPLAINTS

Textile Company Man Sees Element of Spite in Board of Commerce.

Ottawa, Jan. 27.—Complaints against the textile questionnaire issued by the board of commerce were laid before the government today by a delegation of Canadian manufacturers.

The manufacturers object on the ground that most of the questions asked are totally irrelevant to the cost of goods which it is proposed to investigate; that these questions are in reality suited only to an enquiry into the history of the tariff—rather than to the pertinent consideration of actual present-day conditions; that these questions are purposely designed to place the companies in the most unfavorable light and that the impossibility of answering accurately and completely would leave the manufacturers in a position to be attacked by persons eager to make political capital.

Fears Element of Spite.

"I cannot help feeling," heatedly remarked F. G. Daniels of the Dominion Textile Co., "I cannot help feeling that there is a certain element of spite making itself evident thruout this questionnaire." Mr. Daniels read questions asked by the board in regard to the cotton industry. Samples, he said, were required covering a period of ten years. These could not be obtained. To cover all lines produced now, six or seven thousand samples would be necessary.

"Answering the questions might do something to solve the unemployment problem," Sir George Foster jocularly remarked. "Perhaps it would make the task of Senator Robertson easier."

There was a laugh. "There was a surplus of clerical help which might be employed," the minister of labor observed.

STIFF JAIL TERMS FOR BEACH BANDITS

Men Who Assailed Otto W. Cooke in His Home Sentenced to Kingston.

Hamilton, Ont., Jan. 27.—In the criminal court today Judge Gauld sent Fred Sinard and Alfred Auger to ten years each in Kingston penitentiary on the charge of shooting with intent at Otto W. Cooke, and to five years each on the charge of breaking into Mr. Cooke's summer residence at the beach on Jan. 6, the sentences to run concurrently.

Five Years for Robbery.

John Polodunk and John Oriovika, Austrians, received five years in Kingston on a charge of assault and robbery. Sam Arovity was fined $25 for having banned literature in his possession, and Naur Cheruk, a Russian, was convicted of assaulting and cutting Mike Smith, and was remanded for one week for sentence.

Rose Palmer exhibited a forgiving disposition when she entered the witness box in connection with her charges of shooting with intent and doing wilful damage preferred against Edward Callihan. She said that the damage had all been made good, and that she was not sure that Callihan fired any shots, as she had previously alleged.

Carrying Weapon.

These two charges consequently fell thru. He was, however, remanded for a week for sentence on the charge of carrying a concealed weapon and was taken to jail in the meantime, bail not being forthcoming.

John E. Peart is Elected Warden of Wentworth

Hamilton, Jan. 27.—John E. Peart, second deputy-reeve of the township of Barton, was elected warden by the unanimous vote of the county council of Wentworth, at the inaugural meeting held at the court house this afternoon. Hon. E. C. Biggs, who was warden last year, escorted his successor to the chair of the presiding officer of the council.

THREAD OF DESTINY.

The Greeks and Romans imagined that a grave maiden called Clotho spun from her distaff the thread of the destiny of man, and as she span, one of her sisters, worked out with the thread all the events which were in store, and Atropos, the other sister, cut the thread at the part when death was to occur.