

DRURY ANSWERS FERGUSON PLEA FOR HYDRO AID

Declares Government Must
Insist On Efficiency and
Economy.

WILL APPOINT COMMITTEE

Raney and MacBride Clash in
Legislature On Brant-
ford Inquiry.

BULLETIN.
TORONTO, Feb. 21.—An act to
repeal the privy council appeals
act was introduced in the Legis-
lature today by Hon. W. E. Raney,
Ontario attorney-general, and
passed first reading.

TORONTO, Feb. 21.—The Ontario
legislature caught its stride this
afternoon, when, surrounded by
crowded galleries, and with almost
every member of the house in his
place, Hon. C. Howard Ferguson,
leader of the Conservatives, and
Premier Drury joined in the debate
on the reply to the speech from the
throne.

It was an intensely interesting
clash between the two leaders.

Mr. Ferguson said that the govern-
ment was taking credit to itself for
many measures which were really all
prepared for them by the Conserva-
tive administration. He criticised
the government's road policy, but
centered his chief onslaught on the
attack of the government on hydro
and hydro-radials.

Mr. Ferguson supported hydro-
radials, and claimed the government
had not given the hydro commission
and Sir Adam Beck whole-hearted
support, and was antagonistic to the
commission and to its chairman.

The premier, replying to Mr. Fer-
guson, outlined the support the gov-
ernment had given to the Chippewa
project even when its cost soared
millions and millions above the es-
timate. The government had gone
out and found the money, the premier
said, but the time had come when the
Legislature must take its share of re-
sponsibility in the project and vote on
the interim estimates of three and a
half millions, which were being sub-
mitted shortly.

Mr. Drury maintained that the gov-

Anthony Scully Remanded For Trial On Charge of Murder At Port Huron

SARNIA, Feb. 21.—Anthony Scully
of Stratford, charged with the murder
of his father, Cornelius Scully,
81 years old, appeared this afternoon
in the police court before Judge
Clair Black in Port Huron and was
remanded to appear in the circuit
court on a charge of murder.

During Scully's appearance in court
a commission may be appointed to
inquire as to his sanity, and if found
insane he may be sent either to the
asylum in Hamilton or to a Michigan
State criminal insane asylum.

The courtroom was crowded beyond

capacity, and a number of residents
of this side of the St. Clair River
were spectators.

Judge Black advised Scully that
he would be remanded to the circuit
court and that he would have an at-
torney to look after his interests.

Scully exclaimed: "I have been in
the asylum in London for three years.
They should never have let me go
away from there, but should have in-
formed me to go back, and you should
send me back there now."

There was no evidence taken as to
the state of mentality of the ac-
cused man.

ment, in insisting on efficiency and
economy in hydro projects, was acting
as the true friend of public ownership.

The government was prepared to
accept the suggestion of Wellington
Hay, made last week, that a com-
mittee in the house investigate the
differences between the government
and the hydro commission in regard
to the Chippewa project. He outlined
the government's proposal to give
municipalities the right to build their
own radials and choose whoever they
desired to manage them, adding that
the government will not be financially
responsible for them.

He said it was the duty of the gov-
ernment to stand as a guardian of the
interests of the municipalities in their
relation with the hydro commission,
and the government would not be
swayed from its duty by public
clamor.

He defended the government's good
road policy as the most equitable to
all classes and districts of the pro-
vince, and concluded with an appeal
for the same co-operation from the
opposition as had prevailed in the two
former sessions. The government
would be found always ready to con-
sider suggestions from the opposition
and adopt such as were beneficial.

The speeches of the two leaders
were not the only interesting parts
of the day's program. M. M. Mac-
Bride, member for Brantford, and
Attorney-General W. E. Raney
crossed swords early in the day's pro-
ceedings over the inquiry into the
police court in Brantford.

Mr. Ferguson was also asked what
he had said about the commissioners
in his speech at Hamilton on Friday
night, and gave a vigorous reply.

He did not discuss the timber ques-
tion in his main speech of the debate.
A number of bills were introduced,
six of them to give effect to changes
suggested in the insurance act, as a
result of a report of a special com-

mittee which investigated the ques-
tion. There was also the bill intro-
duced from last year by Attorney-
General Raney, which would do away
with appeals from the Ontario courts
to the privy council in England.

This bill is destined to be the cause
of considerable debate this session.
G. G. Halcorow, Hamilton East,
Labor member, who recently moved
from the government benches to those
of the opposition, will continue the
debate tomorrow.

The session opened with plenty of
action, for scarcely had the usual few
minutes been taken up in introducing
bills and J. Walter Curry, Southeast
Toronto, read from a report of a
meeting in Hamilton, in which Hon.
G. Howard Ferguson was alleged to
have compared the members of the
commission conducting the timber in-

vestigation with skunks, and to have
intimated that if the commission were
to hang him before he was tried he
would have chosen good men to do
it. Mr. Curry wanted to know
whether this report was correct.

Denies Allegation.
"Has my honorable friend any
doubt but that I made those state-
ments?" asked the Conservative
leader. He then went on to explain
that he had said that he had the high-
est respect for the judiciary of Can-
ada, but that this commission had
been carefully selected by the at-
torney-general and his friends and had
shown itself in many of its acts "not
in the slightest sense judicial but in
the strongest sense partisan and po-
litical."

He continued, he did, during his
discussion of the commissioners, tell
of his experience with a skunk, and
that they were known by their
aroma, pungent and disagreeable, but
not dangerous, and that he had ever
since been able to recognize that
animal whether it was on four legs
or on two legs.

Mr. Ferguson gave several instances
which he claimed stamped the com-
missioners as partisan and not
judicial. He said he could go on for
hours giving justification for great
deal stronger statements when the
proper time came.

This inquiry is to the everlasting
discredit of the attorney-general," he
maintained, and charged the minister
with being responsible for having it
conducted.

"It has dragged the fair name of
Brantford into the dust," he declared.
He thought that the best of men
would find it difficult to defend their
reputations against the type of wit-
nesses being heard there. He had
no doubt but when the report reached
Brantford that he had dared to bring
up this question in the house he
would at once be picked as the next
victim. He claimed that the people
who had asked for the probe had not
seen fit to give evidence.

Explains Reasons.
"Since my honorable friend has
seen fit to drag me into this Brantford
trouble," said Mr. Raney, "I wish to
state that a unanimous resolution by
the city council of Brantford asking
for the inquiry was presented to me.
No attorney-general could ignore such
a resolution."

"Didn't the attorney-general ask
that such a resolution be passed?"
shot back the member for Brantford.

The minister replied that the first
resolution submitted to him was not
clear, and he asked that if they
wanted an investigation of the police
court a different resolution should be
presented. That was the only request
he made. However, there had been
turnover in Brantford for a long time,
and many requests had been made to
the attorney-general's office. In fact,
Mr. MacBride himself had requested
an investigation.

Mr. MacBride broke in to deny
that he had ever asked for an in-
vestigation and demanding that the
attorney-general retract this state-
ment.

"I repeat that the honorable mem-
ber did ask for an investigation," re-
plied Mr. Raney. "I will not retract
it. The house has his statement and
my statement, and can believe which
it chooses."

Speaker Nelson Parliament first
ruled that Mr. MacBride had been
unparliamentary in declaring Mr.
Raney's statements were absolutely
out, and after this was smoothed
out, ruled that Mr. Raney was within
his rights in refusing to retract in
case where it was a statement be-
tween one member and another.

CONFERS THIRD DEGREE.
BLENHEIM, Feb. 21.—District
Deputy Bro. John Davidson of Chatham
paid an official visit to the local
A. F. & A. M. lodge here last even-
ing, and conferred the third degree.
After the ceremony was over a very
pleasant social hour was spent, fol-
lowed by an excellent lunch served
by Bro. James Pegg of Fessy's
restaurant.

ASK RADIAL LINE FOR WATERLOO

Municipalities On Galt-Elmira
Branch of G. T. R. Seek
Better Service.

OPPOSE CHANGES IN ACT

Representatives Indorse Cen-
tral Control of Hydro-
Electric System.

Special to London Advertiser.

GALT, Feb. 21.—Seventy-five rep-
resentatives of the urban and rural
municipalities along the line of the
Galt-Elmira branch of the Grand
Trunk gathered here this afternoon,
at the request of the Galt board of
trade, and by a unanimous vote went
on record in favor of the electrifica-
tion of this line, believing that it is
in the best interests of the com-
munities and will provide a much-
improved transportation system,
which is badly needed. Immediate
consideration of the project is re-
quested, and the opening of negotia-
tions with Sir Adam Beck and the
Canadian National Railway.

Oppose Act Changes.
While the meeting was called for
the purpose of obtaining co-operative
action with a view to having the
Galt-Elmira branch electrified, a
resolution was also passed approving
the proposed line from Galt to Ham-
ilton. Other resolutions passed ex-
pressed confidence in Sir Adam Beck
as chairman of the Ontario Hydro
Commission, opposed any change in
the hydro-electric railway act, to per-
mit the creation of local radial com-
missions and indorsing the present
system of central control of the
hydro-electric system.

The meeting was a most enthusias-
tic one, presided over by S. L. Clark,
mayor of the Galt Board of Trade.
Mayor H. E. Charlton welcomed the
delegates and went on record as not
only in favor of the electrification of
the Galt-Elmira branch, but as a
supporter of Sir Adam Beck's hydro-
radial scheme, and was strongly in

favor of the proposed line from this
city to Hamilton.

Mayor Favors Scheme.
Ald. J. L. Holtz of Kitchener and
Mayor W. G. Weichel of Waterloo
were heartily in favor of the scheme,
and also that for a radial from Galt
to Hamilton. Other speakers were C.
P. Mills, Kitchener; A. M. Edwards,
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South Waterloo, and Reeve Walter
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That the project to electrify the G.
T. R. branch line was favored was
evidenced by the fact that every
municipality along it, including the
townships, had large delegations.

**ANOTHER CHILD
DIES FROM SCALD**

MONTREAL, Feb. 21.—Scalded by
boiling water from a basin she over-
turned on Sunday, which had been
placed on a table preparatory to
washing dishes, two-year-old Aurore
Massie of Lachine, Que., died last
night from the burns she suffered.

This fatality makes the fifteenth
of its kind in thirteen weeks. All the
victims were under eight years of
age.

Claims Doughnuts Drove Poor Man To Drink.

DETROIT, Mich., Feb. 21.—A
dozen theories of diet were
annihilated by Dr. J. N. Swartz
in an address before the Meri-
dian Club of Damascus com-
mandery here today.

"The vegetarian is cantan-
kerous, as wrong as the man
who eats only meat or the chap
who says fasting will cure
troubles," Dr. Swartz said.
"Poisons are poisons, talk of
calories is humbug, too much
starch and sugar are danger-
ous, tea isn't fit to drink, the
frying pan is health's greatest
enemy."

"Eat a balanced meal, well
cooked. Forget food-free hay
and other health foods. Eat
whole wheat and bran. If you
can, eat lots of rice cake and
corn pone. Not much or what
you eat counts as what you
digest. Doughnuts drove more
men to drink than any other
one thing."

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FREES WOMAN OF SELLING CHARGES

Sarnia Magistrate Dismisses O. T. A.
Case Recently Preferred Against
Mrs. Veersmeersch.

PROOF OF SALE LACKING

Declares Evidence Given Only Proved
Liquor Was Made on the
Premises.

Special to London Advertiser.

SARNIA, Feb. 21.—In the county
police court this afternoon the liquor
charges laid by High County Con-
stable Scott against Mrs. Roma
Veersmeersch collapsed, and Magis-
trate Jarvis dismissed the case on the
ground that although the evidence
showed that liquor had been made on
the premises there was no proof of
sale.

In the witness box, Mrs. Veers-
meersch denied the sworn statements
of Constable Scott and E. J. Har-
ding, Methodist preacher of Wilkes-
port, regarding many circumstances
in connection with the investigation.
Marcel, the 11-year-old son of Mrs.
Veersmeersch, who is said to be a
nervous wreck, following alleged in-
timidation by the constable, was
brought into court to give evidence,
but before the arrival of the magis-
trate he collapsed and had to be car-
ried out.

Mrs. Veersmeersch is under remand
for attempting to bribe Constable
Scott, and will be tried at the next
sitting of the supreme court, which
opens here February 27.

Counter-charges against Scott of
alleged handcuffing of the boy Mar-
cel are still standing, though it is
stated that no date has yet been ap-
pointed for the hearing of the charges.

**KEMP GIVES \$500
AS SCHOLARSHIP**

TORONTO, Feb. 21.—Sir Edward
Kemp has placed \$500 at the disposal
of the governors of the University
of Toronto to be used as a scholarship
for a graduate of a Western Cana-
dian university during the session of
1922-1923.

This is in response to an appeal
from President Falconer of the Uni-
versity of Toronto for graduate
scholarships at the local university.

You use half the quantity
and get twice the flavor—
when you drink this
genuine



RED ROSE
ORANGE PEKOE
TEA

43 1/2 lb.
85 1/2 lb.

Sold by the
best Grocers

ORANGE PEKOE
in the RED ROSE
package

Genuine



BAYER

Aspirin

WARNING! Say "Bayer" when you buy Aspirin.
Unless you see the name "Bayer" on tablets, you are
not getting Aspirin at all. Why take chances?

Accept only an "unbroken package" of "Bayer Tablets of
Aspirin," which contains directions and dose worked out by
physicians during 22 years and proved safe by millions for

Colds Headache Rheumatism
Toothache Neuralgia Neuritis
Earache Lumbago Pain, Pain

Handy "Bayer" boxes of 12 tablets—Also bottles of 24 and 100—Druggists.
Aspirin is the trade mark (registered in Canada) of Bayer Manufacture of Mono-
acetic acid of Salicylic acid. While it is well known that Aspirin means Bayer
manufacture, to assist the public against imitations, the Tablets of Bayer Company
will be stamped with their general trade mark, the "Bayer Cross."

Ontario Power Plant at Niagara Falls Makes a Good Showing

STATEMENTS FOR FISCAL YEAR MOST SATISFACTORY

A Surplus of Nearly Twelve
per cent. of Total
Revenue

OVER TWENTY-EIGHT
MILLIONS INVESTED

Income Provides for all
Operating and Administra-
tive Cost, Interest Charges,
Sinking Fund, Renewal
Reserve and Contingencies.

The Hydro-Electric Power Com-
mission of Ontario presents its de-
tailed, audited statements on the fi-
nancial standing and operations of
the Ontario Power Company of Ni-
agara Falls and the Ontario Trans-
mission Company, Limited. These
enterprises were purchased by the
Commission four and a half years
ago, under the authority of the Leg-
islature (7 Geo. V., cap. 20), and
with the express approval of the
Hydro-Electric municipalities of the
Niagara zone. The plant has been
operated by the Commission since
August 1st, 1917. The statements
submitted show the Balance Sheet
as of October 31st, 1921, the
Operating Report for the year end-
ing on that date, and a digest of
the Appropriation Account showing
the distribution of the surplus ear-
nings, and the net surplus transferred
to the Balance Sheet.

The Operating Statement for the
year ending October 31st, 1921, shows
a surplus of \$362,456.46, after pro-
viding for all costs of operation, ex-
change, discount on bonds, bond and
other interest charges, and an ade-
quate yearly provision for renewal
of the plant. This sum is augmented
by the credit balance brought for-
ward from 1920, the surplus arising
from bond redemption during the
year, amounting to \$65,429.46, and
by a reduction of the claim in re-
spect to power supplied by the To-
ronto Power Company, amounting to
\$193,564.18. Thus there is a surplus
balance of \$724,770.18, which has
been appropriated to meet bond in-
terest, exchange and the sinking
fund requirements in respect to the
Bonds issued by the Commission,
leaving a net surplus of \$59,197.03.

The first contract for energy, signed
by the Hydro-Electric Power Com-
mission of Ontario, was made in
1908 with the Ontario Power Com-
pany, then a private corporation
operating under a Federal charter.
The agreement was for the purchase
of an ultimate maximum of 100,000
horse-power, at a rate ranging from
\$9.40 to \$9.00 per horse-power per
annum.

Within five years the full amount
of energy contracted for was being
taken, and more was urgently re-
quired to serve the needs of the as-
sociated municipalities of the Niagara
System.

The Ontario Power Company was
the only one of the three generating
corporations which was not using its
full allotment of power. There was
talk of expropriating one of the
plants as a war measure, but while
that proposal was still being dis-
cussed, the Hydro-Electric Power
Commission obtained by negotiation
an option on the Ontario Power Com-
pany's property as a going concern.
Authority to acquire the shares of

a private electrical corporation was
granted to the Commission by the
Legislature, and the municipalities of
the Niagara System gave their ap-
proval to the proposed purchase.

The agreement provided for the
purchase by the Hydro-Electric Power
Commission of the stock of the
Ontario Power Company and its
auxiliary, the Ontario Transmission
Company, Ltd., for the sum of
\$8,000,000 in forty-year, four per
cent. Bonds of the Commission,

guaranteed by the Province, and the
assumption of the bonded indebted-
ness of the corporation.

The purchase was made on August
1st, 1917. As soon as the property
came into the hands of the Commis-
sion plans were made to increase its
normal generating capacity by put-
ting in a new conduit, and adding
two generating units. The cost of
this conduit, a wood-stave pipe line,
and of the equipment which it was
designed to serve, was \$3,515,094.93.

The Operating Report shows a
revenue for the year of \$3,032,405.27,
a little more than one-half of which
was collected from the municipali-
ties of the Niagara System for power
supplied to them; that is to say, the
private contracts of the plant pro-
vide a sufficient income to meet about
43 per cent. of the carrying charges—
if the prices for power sold were
equalized to municipal and private
customers.

After providing for interest charges
of \$1,065,199.28, operating expenses
of \$183,605.48, taxes, water rentals
and other items of current outlay,
the revenue permitted the setting
aside of \$385,814.69 for the renewal
of the plant, the provision of \$164-
705.56 for maintenance charges and
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THE ONTARIO POWER COMPANY OF NIAGARA FALLS and THE ONTARIO TRANSMISSION COMPANY LIMITED

COMBINED REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDING 31st OCTOBER 1921

	Power Sales—		
	To Sundry Customers	\$1,295,449.78	
	To Hydro-Electric Power Commission of Ontario for the purpose of—		
	(a) The Niagara System	1,584,409.82	
	(b) The Thorold System	27,846.38	\$5,007,808.93
	Miscellaneous and Interest Revenue		