

MR. CONMEE'S POWER BILL.

Committee Discuss Ontario & Michigan Power Co. Bill.

Matter For the Province of Ontario Declared Mr. Blain.

Premier Said Dominion Had Jurisdiction Over the River.

(Special Despatch to the Times.)
Ottawa, Ont., May 3.—The House went into Committee on Private Bills and took up Mr. Conmee's bill to incorporate the Ontario & Michigan Power Company. Mr. Blain said he had communicated with Sir James Whitney and had received a reply stating that the matter was one which should be exclusively dealt with by the Ontario Legislature. Mr. Blain hoped Mr. Conmee would recognize the inadvisability of proceeding further with his bill.

Mr. Conmee saw no reason why the Dominion House should not consider the matter. The Premier of Ontario was not Governor of the Dominion House. Sir James Whitney had passed legislation which had been vetoed, so that he might as well as well as anybody else. When Sir James saw the name of the member for Thunder Bay and Rainy River on the bill the answer Mr. Blain had got was to be expected. He (Mr. Conmee) did not believe that the people in any other part of the country should be as free as air. Mr. Conmee contended that there was nothing in the bill which would infringe either the rights or legislative jurisdiction of the Province.

Mr. Claude MacDonell argued that under the B. N. A. Act the Province of Ontario was vested in all lands of the Province, and that part of the bed of Pigeon River was a portion of the public domain which lay exclusively within the jurisdiction of the Province. Although it had been whittled down, the bill was just as objectionable as before.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier pointed out that the first question was whether the Dominion Parliament had jurisdiction. His view was that it had. Pigeon River was an international stream, and it was indisputable that no company would have a right to put up dams across that river without sanction of the Governments of Canada and the United States. For reasons of policy alone it was necessary for the Dominion Government to have jurisdiction in all matters of an international character. The Minister of Justice had given his opinion that the Dominion Government alone had jurisdiction and he (Sir Wilfrid) was prepared to follow that opinion. The real question was whether the power of expropriation on Pigeon River sought by the bill should be granted or not, and he suggested that time would be saved if they proceeded to consider that question. Personally he had an open mind on that matter.

REAL ESTATE OFFER.

Robins, Limited, the real estate brokers, are quite pleased with the way the people turned out to inspect the lots at Kenilworth on Saturday. These lots offer every advantage to buyers who can pay on the monthly basis, after a small sum down. In fact, they are the best sale one of the choicest corner lots in Hamilton, at a special price, to the person who will erect a brick building. Full information at room 408, Bank of Hamilton chambers.

Three Boys Drowned

New York, May 3.—An upturned boat bobbing up and down in the cove off Freeport, L. I., yesterday, told another story of a Long Island Sound tragedy. Three boys—David Hulst, 16 years old; Henry Ludlow, a year older, both of Merrick, L. I., and Wm. Kunze, 15 years old, of West Hoboken, N. J., set out on Saturday afternoon on a clamming expedition. At stiff wind was blowing at the time. Night came and night passed and they did not return, but a shepherd's dog, which they had taken with them, crawled whining to the home of young Kunze in the darkness. Search was then started, which resulted in the finding of the capsized boat.

Any doubt that might have existed of the fate of the three boys of this vicinity whose overturned sailing craft was found off Freeport, L. I., yesterday, was removed to-day when searching parties recovered the bodies of two of the lads, David Hulst and Henry Ludlow. Search for the body of the third victim of the accident, William Kunze, was continued. The bodies were dragged up from the bottom of the bay near where the overturned boat was found.

WORK BEGUN ON NEW LINE.

Building of D. W. & B. Road is Now Under Way.

Beamsville, May 3.—(Special.)—The first sod on the Dunnville, Wellandport & Beamsville Electric Railway was laid on Wednesday last by the Mayor of Dunnville, just at the outskirts of that town, and the first team of horses driven by the chairman of the Board of Works Mr. Howard Lloyd, who is one of the foremen of construction, when spoken to said that the extension to St. Ann's will now be rushed ahead. He said the citizens of Dunnville and the whole district were much elated at the prospect of having the new line built. It will be one of the easiest built, as the route follows the old electric road yet laid, said Mr. Lloyd, and there is no dearth of men and teams for the job. The line will lessen the rates and shorten the distances between Dunnville and Hamilton and Buffalo, besides making a thrifty portion of the district more easily reached. If the townships below the mountain give the necessary aid, there is no reason why the road should not reach Jordan Harbor before the snow flies.

Hon. D. C. Fraser, Lieutenant-Governor of Nova Scotia, was the guest of Senator and Mrs. Gibson at Inverurie, Beamsville, yesterday. Rev. W. J. and Mrs. Wilson, Mr. Fraser's son-in-law and daughter, from Guelph, were also the guests of the Senator on Sunday. Mr. Wilson being in Beamsville to preach the anniversary services in the Presbyterian Church.

You Will Want to

Make that old straw hat look like new. We would suggest that you use Oriental Straw Hat Dye on it, and create a new finish in any of the popular colors. This color will not wash off. Come in and see our show you samples. Sold at 25c per bottle.—Parks & Parks, druggists.

SAFETY DEPOSIT BOXES

To rent at \$2 a year and upwards, for the storing of deeds, bonds, stocks, wills, silver and other valuables. TRADERS BANK OF CANADA.

WESTMINSTER GOT QUITE A SURPRISE.

Rev. J. Roy VanWyck Tendered Resignation
---Congregation Insists on Withdrawal.

Westminster Church people are happy to-day, after having had their peace of mind disturbed in a most unexpected manner yesterday. Under the pastorate of Rev. J. Roy VanWyck, Westminster has grown from a little frame mission into a fine, modern, suburban church in a very short time, and its people fondly looked to a successful future under the same guiding hand. What their surprise was, therefore, when Mr. VanWyck tendered his resignation, last evening, may be imagined.

In making the announcement of his intention Mr. VanWyck made it very clear that there was not the slightest trouble or unpleasantness. He had carefully and prayerfully thought the matter over, and had come to the conclusion that the church having been firmly established in its new edifice, it would probably be in its best interest that another man should become its pastor. Only one consideration, the welfare of the church, had moved him, and he desired that the congregation should give his resignation the same prayerful consideration that he had.

And the congregation did—and lost no time about it. A meeting was held immediately after the service. There was but one opinion, and it was expressed as plainly and as strongly as possible. It was that Mr. VanWyck should not be allowed to leave. Accordingly two members were appointed to proceed forthwith to his house and bring him back to the meeting. Upon his arrival he was informed that it was the unanimous feeling of the congregation that the future success of Westminster, spiritually and temporally, depended upon



REV. J. ROY VAN WYCK.

him. If he could not make it a success, they said, no one could. They asked him to reconsider his resignation and withdraw it.

The feeling of the people being so unanimous and hearty, Mr. VanWyck consented, and will remain pastor of the church.

INQUEST RESUMED; PRESS ADMITTED

Suggestion From Attorney-General That Newspapers Should Not Use Some Sensational, But Not Essential Matter.

The Kinrade Family Came Here Last Night---Crown Will Try to Conclude the Inquest To-morrow Evening.

THE SITUATION

Toronto, May 3.—The decision as to the admittance or otherwise of the press at the Kinrade inquest in Hamilton this afternoon rests with Coroner Anderson, and no one else. The Government, through the Premier this morning heard a number of newspapermen, in an informal protest against exclusion, and the foregoing was in effect the answer. Attorney-General Foy could not be seen this morning, and up to noon had not arrived at the Parliament buildings. If Coroner Anderson, between now and the hour of opening the inquest, has had no communication with the Government as to what action he should take, he would receive a suggestion but no orders. The suggestion would be that the press be admitted but that the public, professional or otherwise, be rigidly excluded, the members of the press being put upon their honor not to publish certain expected statements and evidence which have no direct bearing upon the murder, but which are of a sensational nature. Outside of this evidence which has no direct bearing on what actually took place on the day that Ethel Kinrade was murdered, there is said to be forthcoming some new and strong evidence as to what actually did happen in the Kinrade home that morning.

The press will not be barred from the Kinrade murder inquest, as requested by George Lynch-Staunton and Thomas Hobson, the family lawyers, in a letter sent to the Attorney-General's Department on Saturday. When Florence Kinrade goes on the stand again at 3 o'clock this afternoon the newspapermen will be there to hear the evidence, and give it to the public first hand. The decision was not reached until shortly after 10 o'clock this morning. The morning papers announced that the Crown authorities had decided not to interfere. Coroner Anderson had already declared that he would be guided by the advice of the Crown, and this practically settled the question of holding the proceedings in camera. At 10 o'clock this morning the Coroner had received no word from Toronto, and he stated that unless he received other instructions the inquest would not be held behind closed doors.

A definite decision was reached shortly after this, for when a reporter applied to Chief of Police Smith for tickets

of admission to the inquest he was accommodated.

"Will the public be admitted?" the chief was asked.

"I have nothing to do with that," was the reply. "It rests with the Coroner."

Mr. Staunton's request to bar the press met with a storm of public disapproval, and people who sympathize most with the Kinrades expressed the opinion that it was a mistake. Foreman R. K. Spora and the Coroner's jury to a man were opposed to the inquest being held behind closed doors. The Times interviewed a number of them yesterday, and this is what they had to say:

J. W. Noble—All the jurymen, as far as I am aware, are in favor of keeping the public out, but they are not in favor of barring the newspapers. I have spoken to most of them, and they all feel that way about it. It was only last night that I discussed this matter with Ald. Ellis, one of the jurors. We all believe that the back benches should be kept out. All think that it is only justice to everybody concerned that a correct and true report of the proceedings should go to the public. This cannot be done if the press is excluded. The real

public is certainly anxious to have an accurate report of the evidence. Several people, most of them prominent business men, have spoken to me, and strongly condemned the move to bar the reporters. The country has been greatly worked up over this crime, and the public are entitled to the facts.

John Hunter—I don't see why the case should be kept from the public. The case has got beyond the point where it is confined to local interest. Of course, if the Crown officers are determined to keep the public from getting the news, then the jury has no power to prevent it. The case is an exceptional one, and it may be necessary for the Crown to deal with the matter in camera.

James Reding—I am, and have been from the first, in favor of having the newspapers give to the public such news as is of interest in regard to the case. The public has the right to know what is going on. The newspapers both of Hamilton and Toronto have been exceedingly fair in the matter of their reports.

Fred Skerrett—The case has progressed now until it is of more than local interest, and I think that the press should have the right to be represented. If the next session is closed then the

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A REGULAR.

Mary Leitch's Promises No Longer Satisfy Magistrate.

Mary Leitch, one of the Police Court's most regular attendants, appeared before Magistrate Jelfs this morning on the usual charge of drunkenness. Mary wore a Merry Widow of striking proportions, decorated with an infinitude of feathers, but it was not the hat that she was celebrating this time. That happy occasion was duly recognized about two weeks ago, which was Mary's last appearance in court. She cheerfully admitted that her desire for alcoholic beverages was larger than her capacity for the same, but promised to tread the straight and narrow path of sobriety in the future if the Magistrate would overlook her present relapse. "I won't do it again," she cooed at the Magistrate, who, however, has not much faith in Mary's promises, so he fined her \$2.

Patrick McGrath, Ancestor, and Silas Martin, Dundas, were walking along the main street of this fair city on Saturday night in various degrees of horizontal, when Constable May ran across their trail. They were taken to the police station, and to-day were advised to divorce themselves from \$2 each, and be more careful when they came to the metropolis in the future.

James Alexander, who was remanded until to-day for sentence for stealing a can of salmon, was sent to jail for one month.

THEY STRUCK.

Men on Street Railway re Construction Want Increase.

A strike of about two hours' duration occurred this morning among the foreign workmen engaged on street railway reconstruction on James street. The men have been receiving fifteen cents an hour, and asked for twenty, and as the work would be tied up if they did not resume operations the company promised that their demands would receive attention, and that something would be done for them. They returned and the work is in full swing again. It is thought that a meeting will be arranged to decide on a wage that will be suitable to the men and the company. A number of the men did not quit, but the majority of those who quit were agreeable to returning if their demands received immediate consideration.

The work is progressing at a rapid rate, and owing to the necessity of using a single track on James street it was thought a better service could be given by running separate services on Barton and King streets, and the company made the change. The change of service will not alter the time as otherwise would be necessary, and the only inconvenience that will be caused will be the transferring.

Genuine Pittsburg Stogies.

Pittsburg stogies are hand made with long Havana filler and make a mild smoke. They are sold at five for 10 cents or 1.75 a hundred at peace's cigar store, 107 King street east.

EXPECT QUAKES.

Figures Out That There Will be Fourteen Shocks This Month.

Paris, May 3.—A French scientist, M. Deparville, announces that seismic disturbances can be expected to occur at the principal declensions of the moon. Years of observation have brought home to him this conclusion. To prove his contention he cites the dates of a number of earthquakes of this year, including that of Messina and the disturbances in Portugal. He says that shocks may be expected during the month of May on the following dates: 2, 3, 6, 7, 12, 13, 17, 18, 20, 23, 26, 27, 30 and 31.

PRINCE CHUN

Gave Luncheon to Mourners at Late Emperor's Funeral.



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Pekin, May 3.—Prince Chun, the Regent of China, gave a remarkable luncheon at the Winter Palace to-day to the foreign envoys who gathered here to attend the funeral ceremonies on May 1 of the late Emperor Kuang Hsu. The repast was served in the foreign style. Among the Chinese present were Prince Ching, former president of the Board of Foreign Affairs and now advisor to the Naval Department; Prince Tsai-Chen, a son of Prince Ching, who was at one time president of the Board of Commerce, and Prince Su, chief of the Naval Department.

Preserving Pine Apples.

The season has arrived when pine apples are at their best and as cheap as they will be. We have a splendid lot at one dollar and fifteen cents per dozen. See them before ordering elsewhere. We sell only Redpath's extra standard granulated sugar. We have all sizes of preserving jars.—Bain & Adams, 89-91 King street east.

Bakeries Attacked

New York, May 3.—Two men were in Gouverneur Hospital, and ten were under arrest to-day as a result of disorders arising from the strike among the bakers on the East Side.

Schulem Rubenstein entered Michael Novak's restaurant and wine cellar early to-day, and when he found a loaf of bread without the union label he attacked the proprietor. Novak's wife threw a bowl of sugar at Rubenstein, fracturing his skull.

An attack by nine men was made on a bakery kept by Nathan Fryer and Samuel Broklow. Both were badly injured, Broklow being taken to the hospital. Their assailants were locked up.

ARRESTED HIM.

Dealer Accused of Stealing Clothes and Money.

Abraham Judelson, 670 Barton street east, was arrested on Saturday charged with stealing a suit of clothes and \$125 from Felix Sajicki. The material witness for the complainant was unable to attend Police Court this morning, on account of illness, and the case was remanded for one week. Judelson was allowed out on \$500 bail. Judelson runs an installment store and sold Sajicki a suit of clothes. He claims that he was unable to get the money for them and went to Sajicki's house to get the clothes, found them in a trunk and came away. Sajicki accuses him of stealing \$125 as well as the clothes from the trunk.

NO STRIKE.

Carpenters Remain at Work While Negotiations Go on.

A meeting of the Master Builders' Association and the journeymen carpenters was held on Saturday evening for a discussion of the scale of wages. The members of the association pointed out that there are upwards of 70 contractors who are outside of the association, and they gave the journeymen to understand that if the carpenters could get an agreement with these outside men at the old scale of wages, the association would be ready and willing to do the same. Nothing was settled, and the men will remain at work while the negotiations are in progress.

NO SEAT

And Passenger Refused to Pay or to Leave Car.

Passengers on the 1.10 Radial car to the Beach had a bit of excitement on Saturday. The car was full and a number of passengers had to stand. One of these refused to pay his fare until provided with a seat. At Irondale the conductor undertook to put him off but was unequal to the task, and the car proceeded on its way, the passenger apologizing to the ladies in the car for some unparliamentary language he had used while the excitement was at its height.

Some of the school boys who go to the Beach on the 4.10 car behave so badly that numerous complaints are being made by passengers.

NEW INDUSTRY FOR GREATER HAMILTON

Hardware Supply Company Has Secured Land and Will Soon Begin Building Operations.

The first dividend to the citizens has been declared by the Greater Hamilton Association in the shape of a new industry just secured for Hamilton. The concern is a branch of the Hardware Supply Co., of Grand Rapids, Mich., which manufactures cabinet hardware specialties.

Negotiations were conducted through the heads of the company, who spent several days in the city last week, and who were looked after by President Hoodless and Secretary Murtion.

A block of land, 800 x 96 feet, was secured through Assessment Commissioner Macleod and John Patterson, and building operations will be started in a week or two.

Inducements were held out by several other cities, but after looking over the ground personally they concluded that Hamilton was the place for them.

The decision of the Division Court in the appeal against the judgment in the Barton case is looked upon by the city officials as a sweeping victory. Three points were involved in this case, the supplying of township residents with water, the assessment rate, and the right of Mr. Thomas Barnes to connect with the trunk sewer. The city claimed a victory on the first two points in the original judgment. The officials claim that the judgment on Saturday is a victory on the third point. In the matter of costs, if Mr. Barnes releases the right to recover back the amount paid by him towards the cost of the Sherman avenue sewer, the city will pay him \$100. This is what he con-

THE HANGMAN WAS BUSY.

Thirteen Persons Executed in Constantinople Last Night.

U. S. Missionary Got Guard to Go to Hadjin With Him.

Late Sultan Said to Have Planned the Massacres.

Constantinople, May 3.—Thirteen civilians and soldiers sentenced by the military courts to death for murder, were hanged in different parts of Constantinople at 4 o'clock this morning. Major Youssef, his son and three other men, who killed the Syrian Deputy Emir Mohammed Arslan in front of the Parliament building, were executed on the spot where they committed the crime. Five others were hanged at the entrance of the Ministry of War, and three more at the Stamboul end of the Ambir bridge. Among these three is said to be Mourad, editor of the newspaper Nizam. Upon the breast of each criminal had been pinned a large placard in Turkish that can be read at a considerable distance, setting forth the sentence of the court. Around the foot of the gibbets on the bridge the early morning buying of fruits, flowers and vegetables proceeded as usual, while the bodies were in full sight of the great crowds that make their way over the bridge between Stamboul and Galata.

GUARD FOR MISSIONARY.
Adana, Asiatic Turkey, May 3.—The Governor-General of the vilayet has given the Rev. Wm. N. Chambers, a missionary of the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions, a guard to accompany him to Hadjin.

THIS LOOKS BAD.

Constantinople, May 3.—Documentary evidence has been discovered among the records of the telegraph office here of the knowledge of the Constantinople authorities that massacres had been planned for the Adana district, and that they were to coincide with the political events here.

Other papers have been found indicating also that the conspirators at the palace acted in the Sultan's name in preparing the military mutiny of April 13. Lists of houses, with notes on the kind of loot to be found therein, were discovered on some of the prisoners now in custody. The arrangements included a general massacre of foreigners in Constantinople, including the diplomatic representatives, on April 24.

CABINET RESIGNS.

London, May 3.—A special despatch from Constantinople says the Turkish Cabinet has resigned, and that Hilmi Pasha will be the new Grand Vizier. The political situation is bewildering, and no one can tell what the outcome will be. This latest ministry was organized April 30, with Tewfik Pasha as Grand Vizier.

WARMER WEATHER, THANKS!

A gale from the west, accompanied by snow and sleet struck this city yesterday afternoon. Fortunately it was of short duration, but while it lasted it was as severe as that of Thursday last. For May day weather it was about as bad as possible. There was frost in many parts of the country, but not enough to do any harm. The weather man promises warmer and better conditions.

ACCEPTED CALL.

Woodstock, Ont., May 3.—Rev. C. W. King, pastor of Oxford Street Baptist Church, this city, has accepted a call to the pastorate of the First Baptist Church, Cranbrook, B. C.

THE SEWERS COMMITTEE WILL MEET

to-morrow night to consider a lot of small business, including an offer from Charles T. Rasberry to sell the city gravel property on Burlington heights, and the report of a sub-committee on changes desired by the Hamilton & Barton Inland Railway at the southern end of the railway.

The Sewers Committee will meet to-morrow night at 7.30 to receive the report of a sub-committee on the acquiring of right-of-way for sewers north of the Beach road in the annex district and deal with other business.

Ald. Greenwood and McInnes and Messrs. I. W. Stinhoff and W. J. Moonday, of Stratford, were here on Saturday, on business in connection with a manufacturing concern which may locate in that city.

The following building permits were issued to-day: John Sinclair, alterations to 47 Sherman avenue north, \$200. R. C. Gibson, four brick dwellings, Sherman avenue and Clinton street, \$4,000. John Hamilton, frame dwelling, Ferguson avenue, between Strachan and Simcoe streets, \$1,000.

Stewart and Witton, brick warehouse, Elgin street, north of Barton street, for Downwell Manufacturing Co., \$5,000. J. Tullock, brick dwelling, Sophia street, between King and Main streets, \$2,000.

Chas. Gladwin, brick dwelling, Nelson street, between Pearl and Locke streets, \$1,600.