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BARRISTER M'KAY CURIOUS IS GIVEN FULL INFORMATION

Col. Belcher, mayor of Southampton, who came from the shores of Lake who came from the shores of Lake
Huron to attend the mass meeting at
Association Hall last night, called by
Mayor Coatsworth to consider the Niagara power bylaw, very happily hit off
the situation when he said:

"The power question is the question
of the hour; Adam Beck is the man of

the hour; and the people of Toronto are the people of the hour!" Association Hall was well filled with more than 1000 electors, including some ladies. Upon the bylaw it is evident that the vote of those present might stand about 999 to 1 in favor of might stand about 999 to 1 in lavor of the Robert McKay of Johnston, McKay, Dods & Grant, barristers, may possibly cast a vote in the negative. He appeared with a typewritten list of a dozen questions which Mr. Beck ans wered readily, his points being received by the audience with great enthusiasm. In one answer, referring to the Toronto Electric Light Co., he used the pronoun "you," and then apolo-gized to Mr. McKay. "Of course," he

said, "you are not the company."

The explanation given made it en-The explanation given made it entirely plain that the city would incur no liability by passing the bylaw. It would but enable the municipal authorities to go ahead and make a contract with the hydro-electric commission. That contract, being a money bylaw, would be submitted to the people. Power could be obtained at the Falls from the power companies at from \$11 to \$12.50 a horsepower. This was a high price—the company's own price. The price—the company's own price. The provincial government would either build a transmission line or make a contract for transmission. The power

Company.

Mayor Coatsworth presided, and among many prominent citizens were Controllers Shaw, Jones and Hubbard, Ald, Church, Dunn, and Graham. A. E. Kemp, M.P.; W. F. Maclean, M.P. W. K. McNaught, M.L.A.; R. J. Steele, Poet Sabine, Peter Ryan, James Baird, R. G. Black, A. S. Martin, F. G. Morley, P. W. Ellis, John Armstrong, A. F. Lobb, solicitor for the

Mr. Beck seemed anxious to have "I want no one to leave here to-right feeling that he did not have every opportunity to ask any ques-tion that may occur to him," he urged. W. F. Maclean, M.P., made a spirited speech that was received with great enthusiasm. His motto was, "Canada for the Canadians." Niagara rower should build up Ontario, in-stead of being diverted to the United

States. An Important Bylaw. Mayor Coatsworth called the meeting to order, and asked Controller Shaw to briefly state the purpose of

Controller Shaw explained that four bylaws would be submitted to the electors in January. A most important bylaw was the one relating to Niagara power. It was important for not only for its present needs as to lighting and power, but in view municipai/operation of street railway bylaw, if passed, would enable the city to take 15,000 horsepower, but no more would be contract. ed for by the city than was needed. It would be the duty of the council of ruch power they could utilize and to make their contract with the hydro electric commission accordingly. And this contract, including the arrange mitted to a future plebiscite. He an nounced that the city proposed to ex-Propriate the Toronto Electric Light Company, and legislation to this end would be sought from the provincial

mented upon the fact that a number of ladies were present. They were interested in cheap electric power. Who was there who did not use, or desire to use, electricity? and they wanted electricity to be furnished as cheaply as possible

Mr. Beck regretted the unavoidable absence of his colleagues, Hon. Col Hen-drie and Ceci! B. Smith. He had with him, however, the solicitor, secretary and engineers of the commission. He had no government policy to promote and no interest in any one's election. He simply desired to explain the facts and invited questions from the aud-

have a number of clippings from the local newspapers asking the edi-tor questions I would be glad to have

them ask me to-night," he invited. History of the Movement, Mr. Beck then briefly related the his- lop, 96 Yonge-street. tory of the present movement thruout Western Ontario. The first meeting was held in Berlin, and that city had assembled representatives from other

municipalities. The speaker, as mayor Continued on Page 5.

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What It Means for Toronto.

Here are Hon. Mr. Beck's replies to a series of questions which were propounded by Robert McKay, barrister. They clinch the argument. There's nothing left now for you to do but to vote for the bylaw and see that others do the same. Mr Beck stated:

(1.) The minimum cost of the power delivered at the municipal sub-station, ready for distribution to the consumers, would be \$14 per horse-power. It could be distributed so as to reach the consumer at a cost of from 1 to 2 1-2 cents per kilowatt an hour,

as against the present rate of 4 cents.
(2.) Continuous service could be practically guaranteed.
(3.) Power would be delivered to the consumer at any required

(4.) The estimated cost to the city for distribution was not \$3,000,000, as suggested by Mr. McKay, but \$1,850,000.

(5.) The city was not tied up for 30 years. They might pay off the debt in any shorter period.

(6) The supply of power should be available to Toronto within from 15 to 18 months. (7.) The consumers pay for the power, its supply and upkeep, and not the taxpayers. If the city could not sell all it contracted for, the price to the consumer would be more nearly the maximum

(8.) Toronto pays her own way. She assumes no burden for any other municipality.

(9.) No auxiliary steam plant will be needed. There will be two sources of supply and five lines available
(10.) Toronto does not pay the "lion's share." She pays for what she contracts for. Other towns nearer Niagara Falls will pay less than Toronto, for the very obvious reason that the power

(12.) The chief benefit will not be to the large manufacturer.
All consumers will be cheaply furnished. The hydro-electric commission can regulate prices.

(11.) A money bylaw must be hereafter submitted to a second

Workers' President and Conservative Candidate Oppose Head of Big Railway Two of Roosevelt Committee.

would be delivered to the city ready for distribution. Mr. Beck reaffirmed the figures already furnished. He estimated that power could be delivered by John Mitchell, president of the a wedge into the local Conservative premises at \$22.50 per horsepower. The power to be furnished for the city lively the president of the Chicago and waterworks would cost that department to horsepower—a clear saving of sentative of capital, of the positions \$40,000 a year. The saving to the street car system would be \$300,000 a year mombers of the board of trustees, to over its contract price of \$35 per horse—whom he will convey the amount of power with the Electric Development Company.

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According to the president's plans, the chief justice of the supreme court, the secretary of agriculture, and the secretary of commerce and labor will be the other members of the board. his income is to be expended in bring-ing together in conference at Washing-ton, representatives of labor and capiton, representatives of labor and capi-tal to discuss industrial problems.

hydro-electric commission, and Messrs. MUST CONVINCE CANADA Sothman and Richards, engineers. CHANCE OF RECIPROCITY

> Henry Chaplin Shows Urgency of Tariff Reform.

> London, Dec. 20.—Henry Chaplin, at Eastbourne, referred to the Canadian intermediate tariff and said it seemed unlikely that the United States would neglect so great an opportunity.

As regards Germany, the matter was of immediate urgency. In view of this consideration they must make it clear to Canada that as soon as the Unionists come into power they will be pre-pared for reciprocity. No one recognized the importance of this branch of fiscal reform more than Mr. Balfour, whom Chaplin urged to make a pro-

CORRECTION.

In yesterday's World, referring to The H. A. Wilson property on King-street being sold, an unfortunate error occurred. The World stated that the property was sold to the George A Cox Co. It should have read George A. Case. Limited, Traders' Bank Buildnext year to ascertain and decide how, ing, to whom the property was sold, ted, 300 Yonge-street. not George A. Cox.

> ATTEND TO THE DETAILS. All One Has to Do is to Insert Card Inside the Box.

Until late in the month of October G. W. Muller was quite sanguine about being in his new store in the tall Traders' Bank Building before Christmas. His importations of Havanas, of humidor cabinets and of French briar pines had to be arranged for early last summer. All these goods contribute to the overcrowding at 9 King street west, and their consequent sale at less than their real market worth, Gentlemen who have usually sent Christmas boxes of cigars may rely upon Mr. Muller's undertaking to wrap, address and mail a box to any part of Canada. Mr. Muller's establishment will remain open for the convenience o Christmas shoppers till 10 p.m.

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Beautiful Floral Display. Fine specimen plants of azeleas, rich

by Dr. Jessov, M.L.A., Who is Persona Non Grata to Whitney.

party. W. B. Burgoyne, proprietor of the Conservative paper, is opposing the present mayor, Andrew Riddell, a Liberal, for the office, and altho for some years past the municipal elections have been on party lines, each candidate has prominent men on both sides with him. Dr. Jassop, M.L.A., has thrown his support to Riddell and Burgoyne intimates that Jessop is no longer acceptable to the government, and that Burgoyne may be the next Conservative goyne may be the next Conservative candidate. As a matter of fact, Jessop's action in criticizing the leader on several occasions has made him per-sona non grata to Whitney, and Bur-

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Wank escapade and refused to marry them. The police were then informed and Wank was arrested. He is on re-

Beach District Aroused Over Railway Invasion HEARD THRU MEGAPHONE

OLD MAN ONTARIO: Well, my little man, and what d' you think Santy Claus 'll bring you? LITTLE GEORDIE ROSS: I dinna believe there is ony Santy Claus.

HIS BITTER EXPERIENCE.

If C.N.R. Survey Thru East To ALDERMAN DEMAND BRIBE! ronto is Confirmed it Will

purposes is gone. If we are let alone, this will be the Nob Hill section of Toronto. Land that a few years ago was selling at \$6 and \$8 a foot is now worth \$35 and \$40. There must be at least 800 houses at Balmy Beach and 200 at

Kew Beach.
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this is in earnest or not we don't Hand modeled art figures, unique electric effects. Each piece signed by the artist. Just arrived Beach Route Improbable. "As to the route along the beach, from Vienna, Austria. No. 535 Queen street East. It is hardly likely that it will be carried thru, as all the residents who own property have claims which extend to the water's edge, and could all demand a compensation that ought to be prohibitive. The G. T. R. have al-

ready abandoned that route." Councilor Baker said that the city, town, township and county authorities should get together and oppose the railway invasion. There was no reason why the regulations in the United States, which compelled railways to allow when desirable, use of a common track, should not be enforced here. "This annexation scheme is on now, and the city ought to help us," reminded the councilor. "Anyway, we intend to fight it out. It is time that a definite policy towards the railways in respect to routes and terminals was

adopted."

Was Declared Yesterday at New York With an Extra Satisfac-

Ruin the Residental District—
Vigorous Fight in Prespective.

Alarmed by the advent and conduct of surveying parties, representing, it is said, the C. P. R. and the C. N. R., in the districts of Kew and Balmy Beaches, a mass meeting of residents of the board of oldermen of will likely be called within a few days will likely be called within a few days it is claimed will be the ruination of the locality.

ALDERMAN DEMAND BRIBE Tork With an Extra Satisfactory Dividend of 2 Per Cent.

Meteorological Office, Toronto, Dec. 20.—

Middle Atlantic Coast and promises stormy weather for the maritime provinces. Lower temperatures have been experienced to-day in nections kept their operators at the key much longer than usual yesterday, with the idea of getting a report of the Nipissing meeting and the dividend declaration. Late in the afternoon the directors were reported still in session, and the protracted meeting was viewed with some alarm. The prebabilities, and District Attorney Train asserted to of the stock in the market portacted meeting province.

Lower Lakes and Georgian Bay—

Toronto 1.2—38; Halifax.—32.

Probabilities. several occasions has made him person nongrata to Whitney, and Burgoyne hopes to oust him. Jessop hopes to extinguish the aspirant for par. Lament by keeping him out of the mayors chair. Ald. Ecclestone, president of the city Conservative Association, is also against Burgoyne in the mayors also against Burgoyne in the mayors also against Burgoyne.

On the other hand, Messrs, Alex, and Robert McLaren, two substantial business men, and Liberals, declare for Burgoyne.

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Mentreal, Dec. 20.—(Special.)—The nomination of Messrs. G. W. Stephens, M.L.A. for St. Lawrence; I. E. Geoffrion and C. Ballentine as harbor SNETSINGER—At 577 Huron-street, on Dec. 20, to Mr. and Mrs. John F. Snet-singer, a daughter.

MARRIAGES. commissioners, has given very general satisfaction. Major Stephens will re-HOWARTH—MUIR—At the residence of the bride's father, Newmarket, on Dec. 19, 1906 by Rev. J. A. Neal, Gertrude, eldest daughter of Mr. J. G. Muir, New-market, to William Howarth of Toronto, tire from the legislature, where he has been a useful member.

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Bylaw Secured Sixty Per Cent Majority in 48 Out of 94 Localities Heard From, While 59 Recorded Bare Majorities-The Vote Analyzed.

Winnipeg, Dec. 20.—(Special.)—Despite cries to-day of apologists of the Bell Telephone Co., that the municipal telephone bylaw has been defeated. the figures are, on the other hand,

quite contrary.

Complete returns from 94 municipalities out of 123 in the province, show that 59 municipalities recorded majority and 35 minority votes. The

bylaw carried in 48.

The Bell has 14 exchanges where a minority vote is recorded, representing 500 phones, against 33 exchanges, and over 9000 phones, where majorities were secured. Almost all the adverse votes secured. Almost all the adverse votes came from the rural districts. The Bell Telephone Co. has 46 exchanges in operation in the province. In 26 municipalities where these are in operation, the bylaw has been carried; in six other exchange districts there was a majority vote in favor of public ownership, but not the required 60 percent, leaving only 14 exchange areas where a vote against public ownership was recorded, comprising an aggregate of under 520 subscribers, while the vote in the affirmative represents over 9000 phones.

The largest exchange in those municipalities which returned a minority vote was Morden, with 110 telephones.

FAVORS THE PRINCIPLE BUT WOULD GO SLOWLY

Mayor Ashdown Thinks Roblin's Phone Measure an Election Dodge

Montreal, Dec. 20.-(Special.)-Mayor Ashdown of Winnipeg, who will be in Toronto to-morrow evening, states that he favors the general principle of municipal ownership, altho he has as yet not given much thought to details. He would not like to go too fast, but it might be possible for the provinces to control the railways.

When asked what he thought of Premier Public's telephone mentions. Premier Roblin's telephone measure the mayor said it looked like an elec-tion dodge.

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