CITY WILL GO INTO INSURANCE BUSINESS

Will Insure City Buildings Up to Forty Per Cent. of Their Cost and Give Another Forty Per Cent. to Insurance Companies — Council Favor Sunday Street Cars.

The city council in regular session Tuesday decided that the city should go into the insurance business, and if the scheme works out satisfactorily it will mean that in a few years the city will be carrying all its own insurance, independently of insurance companies. The first step in this direction was taken last evening, when a report of the commissioners recommending that 40 per cent. of the value of city buildings and contents be placed with insurance companies and that another 40 per cent. be carried by the city, was adopted. The city will insure their share at the regular rates, the premiums to be set aside to form a general insurance fund, from which the city's share of any loss may be paid.

This insurance scheme was suggested two years ago, but the council did not see their way clear to adopting it. They felt then that the risk for the first few years would be too great, should a disastrous fire among city buildings take place. This has been overcome, however, by the city carrying only half of the risk at the outset and gradually assuming the full risk as the fund into which the insurance premiums is paid grows.

At the present time some $188,400 insurance is carried on city buildings, for which the city pays $3,293.50 each year in premiums. A rough estimate places the value of the buildings insured at $475,000. If these are insured at 80 per cent. of their value the premium paid at 2 per cent. will be $7,600. One-half of this will be paid by the city, which means that $3,800, or thereabouts, will be put into the insurance fund every year under the system adopted last evening.

Commissioners' Recommendation.

The commissioners' report on this question of the insurance on city buildings and their contents, which was adopted, was as follows:

"Your commissioners recommend that insurance to the extent of 40 per cent. of the value of city buildings and contents be placed with insurance companies, and that the city carry the balance of the insurance up to 80 per cent. of the value, the premiums at the regular rates being set aside to form a general insurance fund from which the city's share of any loss may be paid.

"The property at present covered is as follows:

	Cost	Insurance	Premium
Power-house and machinery	$291,000	$82,000	$1,700.00
Engineer's residence		1,000	11.00
No. 1 Fire Hall	7,000	4,000	48.40
No. 2 Fire Hall	26,911	20,000	160.00
No. 3 Fire Hall	12,817	6,000	30.00
Fire Appliances No 1		3,000	37.80
Isolation Hospital	26,880	14,000	105.00
Warehouse	5,647	1,500	30.75
Tower	10,041	1,500	18.75
Telephone building	25,000	10,000	189.00
Telephone exchange	50,000	20,000	528.00
Telephone fixtures		5,000	107.50
Heiminck building & stables		5,000	51.00
City Hall	12,748	9,000	96.30
Exhibition buildings		6,400	180.00
		$188,400	$3,293.50

Aldermen Favor Sunday Cars.

Steps will be taken during the next few weeks to secure the operation of Sunday street cars in Edmonton. At the council meeting last evening, Alderman Gariepy moved that the city solicitor be instructed to draw up the necessary by-law providing for the operation of street cars on Sunday, at the same time as the bylaw was prepared for the purchase of the McDonald property on McDougall avenue for $45,000 for a city hall and market site. All the aldermen were in favor of the operation of street cars on Sunday, except Alderman Lundy. It is understood that petitions have been prepared and will be circulated among the ratepayers of the city asking for Sunday cars. After the necessary by-law has been passed by the city council it will be submitted to a vote of the ratepayers and a two-thirds majority is necessary to carry it.

To Clean Up the City.

The city council decided to set aside one or two days during the month of May in which every property owner is expected to clear his property of all unsightly rubbish and waste material. The fixing of the date will be left to the commissioners and will probably be May 13 and 14, the latter day being Arbor Day.

Awnings Must be 6 Feet, 6 Inches.

All awnings in the city must be at least 6 feet, 6 inches from the sidewalk and the iron rods or supports must be 7 feet, 6 inches. This was decided upon as a result of a petition of several merchants in the city to have the minimum height of awnings reduced from 7 feet, 6 inches, to 6 feet, 4 inches.

Commisioner Butchart reported that 59 awnings in the city were examined yesterday. Of these 9 were under 6 feet high, ten were an even 6 feet and the balance ranged from 6 feet, 1 inch, to 6 feet, 11 inches. Sixteen of the merchants who signed the petition had awnings under the height petitioned for. The council decided to give the merchant every possible advantage of shade and at the same time to protect pedestrians. They accordingly fixed the minimum height as 6 feet, 6 inches.

Wanted Half Holiday.

A number of the merchants of the city petitioned the city council to declare a half holiday on Thursday afternoon on account of the hospital bazaar. They stated that they were willing to close their stores. The council decided that the city was getting a little too large to declare holidays in this way, but they will offer no objection should the petitioners wish to close their stores.

Deadlock Over Market Site.

The city council discussed the question of a suitable hay market site in the city at some length last evening. A large number of proposed sites in the east end of the city were submitted and the outcome was a deadlock, one half of the council favoring one site and the other half the other site.

The choice lay between a site in block 1, Norwood, which will cost $49,200, and a site on Queens avenue to cost $36,000. The Queens avenue site consists of lots 170 to 177, with 360 feet frontage on First street, and lots 118 to 121 with 1,000 feet frontage on Queens avenue. Those favoring the Queens avenue site for the hay market were Mayor Lee and Ald. Fraser, McKinley and Gariepy, while those supporting the Norwood site were Ald. Armstrong, McInnis, Manson and Lundy. Ald. Agar was not present. The matter will probably be brought up for further consideration at the next council meeting.

Routine Business.

The proposal of the owners of Glenora sub-division to erect bridges in the Groat estate if the city would extend a car line to their property was laid on the table for the present.

The city engineer was authorized to purchase gravel from Strathcona and from Westaway and Manders until such time as the Huff dredging company could supply suitable gravel.

The matter of establishing the C. N. R. grades in the city was left in the hands of the commisioners.

The application of Wm. M. Leonard for assistance in his projected tour of Canada and the British Isles with limelight views of Edmonton, was laid on the table for one week when Mr. Leonard will probably explain his scheme more fully.

The communication from A. Boudreau, M.P.P., of St. Albert, regarding the grading of the road to St. Albert was filed. The commisioners are examining into the cost of grading the city's share of this road.

The Exhibition association were granted fire protection during the fair to be held here in July.

The communication from the medical health officer regarding the location of manholes in various parts of the city was filed.

The ladies in charge of the hospital bazaar were granted free light for the Thistle rink during the bazaar this week.

W. Simpson was appointed a permanent constable on the city police force upon the recommendation of Chief Lanney.

The Edmonton Creche was given a grant of $85 per month to assist in maintaining this institution.

The report of the finance committee showing the weekly expenditure to be $30,552.55, was adopted.

The report of the assessment committee recommending that assessment notices for the ensuing year should be issued, was adopted.

MONTREAL CIVIC INVESTIGATION

Citizens Not Enthusiastic in Financing Complainant Side of Case.

Montreal, April 27—The first day of the Montreal royal commission did not prove very exciting, being chiefly devoted to the securing of data and laying a foundation upon which to proceed later on. It is expected to be a very protracted siege, if sufficient funds are forthcoming, but the citizens do not seem to be very enthusiastic about financing the complainant side of the case, and though the citizens' committee has asked for $6,000, it is stated that little more than ten per cent. of this sum has been put up yet. An odd feature of the thing is that while so far the investigation has been almost entirely in French, the money has been mainly subscribed by English-speaking citizens.

OIL WAREHOUSE BURNED.

Fire Destroyed Valuable Saskatoon Storage Building and Contents.

Saskatoon, Sask., April 27—Oil warehouse on mill track, where the Saskatoon Storage and Forwarding Company store their consignments of goods, was completely destroyed by fire this afternoon. The building was filled with lubricating oil, gasoline and other inflamable substances, the property of the Winnipeg Oil Company, and contained not less than three carloads of material. The fire brigade arrived on the spot immediately after the alarm was given, but were unable to render any assistance whatever owing to the inflamable nature of the contents of the building and to the fact that the nearest hydrant was 4,000 ft. away. The contents of the storehouse were insured.

Suit Over B.C. Timber Deal.

Vancouver, B.C., April 27.—Senator Cox indirectly figures in an interesting law suit over the Vancouver Island timber limits, for which the Senator recently paid $200,000 cash. The suit is over the division of that sum. C. H. Johnston, a Minneapolis lumberman, is the plaintiff in the action and seeks one-third of that sum as his share under the agreement with the two defendants who staked their claims. These are E. L. Kinman, of the Imperial Timber & Trading Company and James MacGee, manager of a mill at Chase, B.C., near Kamloops. The suit is a conflict over an agreement, each side claiming that the other violated its terms.

Drowned Fording Belly River.

Lethbridge, Alberta, April 27.—David Davidson, a young Scotchman, was drowned this morning fording the Belly river near this city with a team and wagon. The body has not yet been recovered. He came here from Scotland last fall.

SIR ROBERT BOND WAS PLAYING DOUBLE GAME

Ex-Premier of Newfoundland Accused of Secretly Favoring Joining Confederation, While Outwardly He is Antagonistic—Story Will Kill His Chances of Regaining Control of Government.

St. John's Nfld., April 27.—The Daily News prints a sensational story claiming that ex-Premier Sir Robert Bond, although apparently antognostic to confederation, has been quietly negotiating through Hy. J. Crowe, a company promoter, with Sir Frederick Borden, representing the Canadian government. In substantiation the News prints letters showing that Mr. Crowe tried to tempt J. F. Downey, a supporter of Premier Morris, to break the deadlock in the house, offering him the speakership for the session, and the deputy ministership of marine and fisheries subsequently; also letters from Ex-Premier Bond to Mr. Crowe confirming the offer. Mr. Crowe's correspondence contains a statement that Ex-Premier Bond had drawn Mr. Crowe's attention to a loophole in last fall's manifesto wherein Ex-Premier Bond declared he would not consider confederation, except at the desire of the people.

J. F. Downey gave the story away, because Ex-Premier Bond was trying a confederation plot on Sir Edward Morris. Mr. Downey claims that in December Mr. Crowe asserted that he was intermediary between ex-Premier Bond and Ottawa, and that favorable terms had been definitely arranged, including the assuming by Canada of the Newfoundland debt, acquiring the Reid company's railway which was to be handed to the Intercolonial railway, and large expenditures for marine development aggregating millions in the next two decades. The Bond supporters are wild, and say it will absolutely destroy Bond's chance of regaining control of the government.

Says Is is Absurd.

Ottawa, Ont., April 27.—Sir Frederick Borden has made the following statement in respect to the story published in a Montreal paper to the effect that Sir Robert Bond, ex-Premier of Newfoundland, had through a certain Harry J. Crowe, been negotiating with him (Sir Frederick) with the object of bringing Newfoundland into the Canadian confederation: "Mr. Crowe, who comes from Bridgetown, N.S., is an old friend of mine. He went to Newfoundland years ago and acquired large timber areas there. Naturally enough, he communicated with me and especially with regard to the entry of Newfoundland into the Canadian confederation. There was nothing, of course, in all this but a mutual interest in the rounding out of confederation. However, as to the intimation that Sir Robert Bond was at all concerned in the matter, I may say that Mr. Crowe, in his letters to me, invariably spoke of ex-Premier Bond as being the chief opponent of confederation. Mr. Crowe was a business man with large interests in the colony, and as a Canadian would naturally express his views on this larger question of confederation to me, a fellow Canadian. That there was anything in our correspondence to justify the charge that interference was contemplated in the local politics of Newfoundland is simply absurd."

BILL MINER IN OTTAWA.

Notorious Bandit said to Have Visited Relatives—Col. Sherwood Doubts Story.

Ottawa, April 27.—That the notorious Bill Miner was in Ottawa Saturday, April 17, and remained here for several hours, that he was in the house of David McNab, 12 Redpath street, and that he left the Redpath home for Carleton Place, where he remained for a time, to turn to a hamlet near Ottawa, where he is now hiding, is the sensational story that the Evening Journal published this evening.

The Journal says that McNab saw the local police. Chief Detective Dicks, interviewed tonight, bore this out, but says the name given was not McNab. He referred the man to Col. Sherwood, head of the Dominion Police. McNab is a man the greater part of whose life was spent in the West. He was always intimately acquainted he says, with Bill Miner, who, he claims, is his kinsman. Interviewed by the Journal, he said that Miner came to his house in broad daylight. The man refuses to give his reasons for giving information that may lead to Miner's arrest. Regarding Miner's escape from the Westminster penitentiary, McNab claims that he is conversant with every detail of the sensational escape.

Col. Sherwood, chief of the Dominion police, says he is having the Minter story inquired into but is rether dubious about its accuracy.

COAL STRIKE NEARING END.

Miners and Operators Are Getting Together in Southern Alberta.

Lethbridge, April 27—The miners and operators held a conference last night at Taber. But for one operator an agreement would have been reached. Board Member Morgan wanted the men to return to work under the old conditions pending a satisfactory settlement. The operators want a new agreement and took exception to the preamble in agreement offered by the men providing for the closed shop. Taber operators also asked for a readjustment of wages, some branches of mining averaging a reduction of seven and one-half per cent. The miners refused to accept any reduction but seemed willing to return to work on the old conditions pending a settlement. President Sherman is under a doctor's care at his home in Taber.

Shooting Affray at Epworth League.

Wellant, Ont., April 27.—A shooting affray, reported at an Epwarth League meeting, resulted in a warrant being issued for the arrest of Aurorey Neff, charged with firing at Ed. Sauer. Neff has disappeared.

TAFT TO VISIT ALASKA

If He Does He Will Be First President to Make Trip.

Washington, D. C., April 26.—President Tafe will visit Alaska if he comes to the Pacific Coast this summer, according to an announcement made today at the White House. According to his present plans, the President will start from Washington soon after August 1, and tour the coast from Alaska to Lower California, returning east via Arizona, New Mexico, Texas and Louisiana. Before making his trip he will go to his "summer capital" at Beverly, where he will spend June and July.

Railroad officials were requested to estimate the cost of the President's Western trip. It was stated that from rought estimates the first trip would probably cost about $17,000. The extent of Taft's Western trip is contingent upon a congressional appropriation of $25,000.

He will be obliged to go to heavy expense, as he will have to have special trains, secretaries, stenographers and guards.

If Taft visits Alaska he will be the first president of the United States to make the trip. He will be accompanied by his wife throughout the tour. According to his plans, the President will visit the Seattle exposition, the National Irrigation Congress at Spokane, the Trans-Mississippi Congress at Denver and the C.A.R. convention at Salt Lake.

Premier Scott's Dignified Reply.

Ottawa, April 26.—Premier Scott, of Saskatchewan, who is in the city today, was asked if he had any reply to make to the charge laid by Glen Campbell, Dauphin, that while a member of Commons he had accepted a gift of $10,000 worth of stock in the Saskatchewan Valley and Manitoba Land Company for his services in getting a bill put through parliament. Mr. Scott said he had no replay to make. The charge had been made during the last election and had been withdrawn. There has been a session of the legislature since and the matter had not even been referred to.

Lewis' Daylight Bill Reported.

Ottawa, Ont., April 26.—The daylight saving bill promoted by E. M. Lewis, and which was referred to a special committee of the Commons, was reported this morning with an amendment that it should go into operation from the first Sunday in April to the first Sunday in November. Mr. Lewis announced that nineteen boards of trade in Canada had passed resolutions favoring the measure. During the period mentioned, it is proposed to advance the clocks one hour in order to gain more daylight during the working days. It will be asked to make the bill a government order.

Not in Sympathy With Suffragettes.

Rome, April 26.—The Pope addressed the Union of Italian Catholic Women today and showed strong opposition to some of their ambitions. Those who wish to make woman the equal of man in all things said His Holiness and give her the same rights are assuredy in error. Woman mixed up in the agitations of public life would be the ruin of family and society. Woman should be the companion of man at the same time accepting his authority an authority mitigated by love and nothing more.

Colonies May Help in 1920.

London, C.A.P., April 29.—The Morning Post, referring to the naval agitaiton in Canada and Austrolia, urges redoubled efforts along the lines of national naval development. "If the Dominions will set about preparing for 1920 the United Kingdom will know how to meet the responsibilities during the interval," says the Post.

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Died From Their Injuries.

Montreal, April 26—Two of the victims of the boiler explosion at the Congregation of Notre Dame at Cote St. Paul last night, died today of their injuries. They were Florence Nault, 12 years old, and Bernadette Dubreuil, about nineteen. The sister superioress is at the Hotel Dieu in a precarious condition, but there are hopes for her recovery.

Prohibition in Florida.

Tallahassee, Fla., April 26.—The house of representatives today, by 53 to 16 votes, passed the McMillan State-wide prohibition bill, which has passed the senate. The measure now goes back to the senate for concurrence in two minor amendments. The bill submits the question to the voters of Florida in 1910.

Automobile Man Fined $3,600.

Halifax, April 26.—E. L. McDonald, manager of the Halifax hotel, was condemned by a jury today to pay $3,600 damages to the widow of Isaac Hutchings, who was killed by McDonald's automobile some months ago, the owner being in charge at the time. Mrs. Hutchings had sued for $10,000.

Short of Supplies in Mining Camp.

Sault Ste Marie, April 27.—A report frim Michipicoten states that supplies in the mining camp there are almost exhausted. The settlement is in dire need. Hundreds of prospectors went in there last fall on account of the gold boom.

Fight in Kinrade Case.

Toronto, April 27—One of the counsel for Miss Kinrade stated today that if the decison went against them tomorrow they would at once issue a writ of habeas corpus. He is apparently determined to prevent her giving evidence again.

Cut Off Four Licenses.

Niagara Falls, Ont., April 26.—The Welland County License Commissioner today cut off four licenses, including the G.T.R. Restaurant, one of the oldest in town, and adjourned decision on two others.

Brockville Manufacturer Dead.

Brockville, Ont., April 27.—Germain Cossett, a pioneer foundry man of Ontario, proprietor of the Brockville Agricultural Works, died this morning.

ALL MINES IN SOUTHERN ALBERTA WILL BE IDLE

The Result of a Coal Shortage Which Must Ensue Within the Next Two Weeks Will be Great Loss to the Farmers—Principle Involved in Strike is That of Closed Shop.

Calgary, April 26—That all the coal mines in Alberta, with the exception of one small one at Frank, are now idle, is the statement of P. L. Naismith, manager of the Lethbridge collieries, who arrived here today. Mr. Naismith did not feel inclined to discuss the strike to any great extent.

"Frank Sherman has called all the men out," he said. "They are now out at Taber and everywhere else, with the exception of a small mine at Frank, and the whole principle involved is that of the closed shop."

Asked as to the probability of serious tie-ups in railroading and other industries if the strike continued, he vouchsafed only the one word, a very decided "undoubtedly."

"It means but one thing," he averred later, "and that is a prolonged general strike of all the coal miners in Alberta."

Mr. W. F. Little, of the Canmore mines, is also in the city. Beyond saying that he hoped for the good of everyone concerned, either directly or indirectly, that the trouble would be speedily ended, Mr. Little had nothing to say.

Effect Will be Serious.

If the present strike of the coal miners in Alberta keeps up for even a brief two weeks more, serious results to railroading and agricultural work in the province will ensue. Already engines in the local yards are being fired by coal briquettes, as the supply of ordinary steam coal is rapidly diminishing.

At Macleod the Canadian Pacific has evidently been preparing for a shortage, as vast heaps of coal have been laid along the tracks. In the opinion of the railroad men, however, this is not sufficient to last over two weeks.

Around Lethbridge, and all through southern Alberta, steam plowing outfits, with a number of contracts on hand, will be unable to fulfil them if the supply of coal is not kept up.

At Nanton several of the plows have already been tied up temporarily, and the difficulty experienced in getting enough coal to keep them going for even a short time longer has warned those operating them that it will be only a matter of days before they are forced to discontinue the work until after the strike.

Should this turn out to be the case the loss to the farmers will be a large one, as they have been investing heavily in machinery this spring, and should they not be able to break and seed as much acreage as they anticipated, they will not be able to meet their notes when the latter fall due.

CHILDREN VERMIN-INFESTED.

Awful Condition of Youngster Who Lived in a Single Room.

Woodstock, Ont., April 26—High County Constable Ben Hobson brought to the House of Refuge last night seven of the eight children found in the horrible quarters occupied by Elizabeth Davis, arrested at Richwood on Monday afternoon, charged with bigamy, and Martin Cronkwright, with whom she was living, and to whom she had been last married, charged with vagrancy.

The eighth child, the eldest, was left at Paris, where he is working. The children were in terrible shape and inconceivably dirty. Their hair was infested with vermin, and Mrs. Murray, matron of the refuge, took a pair of horse clippers and removed the hair of all. Their bodies were literally black with dirt, and apparently they had not been washed for months. Their clothing was in rags and very filthy.

The children range in age from three years to fifteen years, and with the exception of one who has lost an eye, by an accident, appear to be intelligent and sound physically, though they are dwarfed mentally and physically by their absolute lack of training.

The children did not know the taste of milk, and did not like it at first. They are in charge of the Children's Aid Society, and will be placed in homes.

The family of ten had one bedroom, ten feet square, and littered up with rubbish at that. People of the neighborhood knew of their condition, but were disinclined towards taking any action.

It is said that when the woman married Cronkwright in Paris last February, having two other husbands alive, the couple borrowed money for the license and proffered the minister ten cents, the extent of their wealth, as his fee. He declined it. The man says he married the woman to get someone to look after his children, and she brought her five by former husbands, and they went into partnership.

"LORD" BARRINGTON'S CASE.

Efforts Being Made to Secure Release of Pseudo Lord.

St. Louis, Mon., April 25—Harry R. Gates, a civil engineer and husband of Mrs. Lillian E. Gates, of St. Louis, stated tonight that they were in possession of personal and accumulative evidence which, he thought, was sufficient to identify J. C. Mabray, the alleged promoter of fake horse races as Jas. P. McCann, the man who is supposed to have been murdered by "Lord" Barrington. He thinks that his wife, who is at present at Des Moines trying to identify Mabray as McCann, will be successful in her mission.

He stated that he had received communications from time to time from friends and persons interested in the case from Los Angeles, San Francisco, Little Rock, Hot Springs and New Orleans, to the effect that Mabray admitted to these persons he was McCann. If Mrs. Gates is successful in positively identifying Mabray as McCann then the testimony and evidence of those persons will be used according to Gates, to free "Lord" Barrington from prison.

AUSTRALIA SHIPS SUBSIDY.

Steamship Company Awaits Action of Federal Government in Regard Thereto.

Vancouver, B. C., April 26.—Because the Dominion government has not yet signified its intentions with respect to the extension of the subsidy of the Canadian-Australian steamship line, operating steamships between Vancouver and Sidney, the business of the line is at a standstill. The present subsidy will expire in June, and pending some settlement of the matter one way or the other the company finds itself in a position of being unable to advertise sailing or contract for business from Australia after the July sailing from Sidney. This means the loss of many thousands of dollars in freights and considerable prestige as a passenger route. Months ago the Union Steamship company of New Zealand, operating the Canadian-Australian line, applied to the government at Ottawa for an increase in the amount of the subsidy paid for the transportation of mails. On its part the company undertook to establish a twenty-one day service by placing faster steaers on the route. It is now larned that the Federal government this month informed the Union Steamship company that no increased subsidy would be granted.

MODERN SOCIAL CONDITIONS.

Mrs. Rose Pastor Stockes Does Some Plain Talking in Boston.

Boston, Mass., April 26.—Mrs. Rose Pastor Stockes, speaking at Maverick Church, East Boston, said: "The critics of Socialism have said that Socialism is a man leaving his wife for an "affinity," but that is not the case. I think that it will be necessary to abolish the Republican and Democratic parties in order to stop a man from taking an "unaffinity" and getting rid of his wife. Of course it is impossible for a man and woman to live together as husband and wife, even if they are married by the law of the state, if they do not love each other.

"There are in this country 1,000,000 married women working, because their husbands do not earn enough to support them and their children. There are also 2,000,000 little children working their lives away in factories and mines to eke out an insufficient family wage. There are 50,000 women in New York City living shameless lives, because they cannot exist on the wages paid in the factories and sweatshops of the city.

"I recently met four women who are on the streets, and they told me they could earn more money on the streets of New York than they could earn in the factories."

MONTREAL'S CIVIC SCANDAL

The Seven Unseated Aldermen Appeal to Court of Appeals.

Montreal, April 26.—A new phase in the famous case under which the seven leading city aldermen of the finance committee were unseated and disqualified on a technicality was opened today when the court of appeals unanimously decided that they would hear an appeal on the ground that the proceedings were broader than mere quo warranto. But while the aldermen have apparently gained an advantage they have really burned their ships behind them. They had appealed to Quebec for legislative aid to upset the decision of the courts and get their seats back. But now that the court of appeal has taken up the matter, the legislature cannot act, as the case is still subjudice and by the time the court of appeal has dealt with the matter the legislature will have prorogued so that if the judgment goes against them they will be finally unseated, disqualified for two years and condemned to reimburse the city nearly $3,500.

TWO BOYS BURNED TO DEATH

In House in Centre of Vancouver's Busiest Section.

Vancouver, April 26.—Two small boys, Charlie and Alfred Miller, aged five and four respectively were burned to death this evening while hundreds of people walked within 50 feet of them, unaware of the tragedy. The Millers lived in a small frame house fronting on an alley off Hastings street, opposite the Carnegie library and in the heart of the city. Both parents were away working until late and the children were alone in the house when the blaze starter. The flames must have cut off their escape to the front door at the first moment, for the children were found hudled together under a corner of the bed upstairs. They were quite dead when the firemen snatched their still smoking bodies from the wreckage of the little home.

DEGREES AT QUEEN'S UNIVERSITY

H. J. Black, Edmonton and J. E. Carmichael, Strathcona, among Number.

Kingston, April 24—Degrees in arts and science are announced at Queen's University as follows:

Degrees of LL.D., Alexander Graham Bell, Brantford; Prof. E. Barnard, Yerkes Observatory, Prince Albert.

Degree of D.D., Prof. Kennedy, Knox College, Toronto.

Degree of P.H.D., A. T. Wallace, B.A. B.D., Kingston.

Western students who took degrees, Degree M.A., M.L. Colquhoun, Deloraine, Man.; degree B.A., H. J. Black, Edmonton, Alta.; A. E. Guernsey, Nelson, B.C.; G. W. Skene, Grand Coulee, Sask.; P. G. H. Warren, Moose Jaw; bachelor of science in mining; F. A. Brewster, Banff, Alta., mineralogy and geology, J. A. S. King, Souris, Man.; civil engineering; J. B. Saint, Vancouver, B.C., sanitary; J. E. Carmichael, Strathcona.

Convent Garden Season Opens.

London, April 27.—"Samson Et Dellah" opened the Convent Garden season tonight. Though the production was prohibited in former years it was placed on the list of opera by the express wish of the Queen. It was most enthusiastically received by a large audience who insisted upon calling the composer St. Saens before the curtain.

ARCHBISHOP MATHESON PRIMATE OF ALL CANADA

Archbishop of Rupert's Land, A Native Son of the West, is Elected to the Highest Office in the Gift of the Anglican Church in Canada.

Toronto, Ont., April 27—The Church of England in Canada is no longer without an official head, and the ecclesiastical province of Canada again has its archbishop. At the meeting of the House of Bishops of the General Synod yesterday afternoon, the Most Reverend Samuel Pritchard Matheson, Archbishop of Rupert's Land, was elected Primate of all Canada and representative on the general consultative body of the Lambeth conference. Rev. Canon Phair, of St. John's College, Winnipeg, was appointed secretary of the House of Bishops in the place of the Bishop of Toronto, resigned. Thirteen bishops were present at the election—Archbishop Hamilton, of Ottawa; Archbishop Matheson, of Rupert's Land; Bishop Pinkham, of Calgary; Bishop Reeve, of Toronto; Bishop Dunn, of Quebec; Bishop Dumouli, of Niagara; Bishop Thornloe, of Algoma; Bishop Mills, of Ontario; Bishop Williams, of Huron; Bishop Stringer, of Yukon; Bishop Homes, of Athabasca; Bishop Farthing, of Montreal, and Bishop Sweeney, of Toronto.

Archbishop of Ottawa.

No action was taken in regard to the appointment of a Canadian bishop for China. In the morning, the House of Bishops of the province of Canada elected Right Reverend Chas. Hamilton, Bishop of Ottawa, as Archbishop of Ottawa and Metropolitan of the Province of Canada. Eight bishops were present—the bishops of Montreal, Ontario, Algoma, Niagara, Toronto, Huron, Ottawa and Bishop Reeve. Rev. W. M. Loucks, rector of St. Mathews, Ottawa, was elected secretary and registrar of the House of Bishops, instead of the Bishop of Toronto. The House adopted a resolution of sympathy with the family of the late Archbishop of Toronto. The Archbishop of Ottawa was appointed chairman of the board of examiners of divinity degrees. Immediately preceding the election, Holy Communion was celebrated in St. James' Cathedral, most of the bishops being present.

The New Primate.

The new primate is a native of Manitoba. Born in 1853 and educated in his native province, he has filled the posts of canon and dean of the cathedral at Winnipeg, coadjutor bishop to Archbishop MacRae and since 1905 Archbishop of Rupert's Land. He came of Highland ancestors.

TO ANNEX UNGAVA LAND.

Quebec Wants to Add the Great Northland.

Quebec, April 26.—Sir Lomer Gouin has given notice that he will move a resolution setting forth that: "Whereas the territory of Ungava in question in one of the resolutions above set forth and adopted by the Parliament of Canada at its last session, geographically forms part of the province of Quebec and it is in the interest of that territory, as well as in that of the province, that it be annexed to the territory of the province of Quebec:

"Be it resolved: That the lieutenant-governor-in-council respecting the annexation of the province of Quebec of all territory situated to the north of the northern frontier of this province and extending to Hudson's Straits, between the bay so named and the Atlantic Ocean, or the strip of territory which may, belong to Newfoundland, along the shore of such ocean, including on the west coast the archipelagos and islands adjoining the mainland, as well as the following islands and groups of islands: Ottawa, Sleepers, Baker's Dozen, Belchers, North Belchers, King George, Mansfield, Charles and all the islands of Ungava Bay, and the Button Islands, upon such terms and conditions as may be accepted by the government of Canada and that of this province."

THEY OUTDID SHYLOCK.

Black Hand Men Carved Flesh From Victim.

Pittsburg, Pa., April 26—Alleged to have outdone Shylock in having actually cut portions of the flesh from the breast of a man who refused them money, Salvator Roberta and Nicolo Digliotti are today held for court without bail at Braddock, a suburb.

With his wounds bandaged and weak from loss of blood, Joseph Gugliotto appeared at a Braddock bank in company with the two foreigners and asked to draw out $300. The teller called an interpreter and was told the story, which resulted in the arrest and holding of the two men.

At a hearing before Justice of Peace Holtzman, of Braddock, Gugliotto repeated his story, stating that he received several Black Hand letters demanding money, but ignored them. He said he was aroused from a sleep to find the two accused men standing over him. He said they demanded $300, and that when he refused one of them held him while the other slit his arms and face with a stiletto. Still, he said, he refused to comply with their demands till one of them began carving pieces out of his breast. Then he promised to get the money, and the arrest followed when the bank teller suspected from the bleeding man's appearance that something was wrong.

Cuba to Restore Cock Fighting.

Havana, April 27.—The House has decided to debate the bills for the establishment of a national lottery and it's passage is assured. The House today adopted a resolution requesting the Senate not to delay consideration of the House bill restoring cock fighting. The Senate has passed the bill repealing the decree of former Governor Magoon authorizing the president to borrow $16,500,000.