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THE BUDGET IS REJECTED BY THE HOUSE OF LORDS BY A VOTE OF 350 TO 75

Unionist Cheers Greet Announcement of Act Which Creates Situation in England Unprecedented in the Last Three Hundred Years—Curzon Speaks in Defence of Peers—The Vote.

London, Nov. 30. — In the sedate, detached manner characteristic of the proceedings in the gilded chamber, and in direct disregard of the advice of some of its ablest and oldest members, such as Rosebery, Morley, Lord James of Hereford, Lord Cromer, Lord Balfour of Burleigh, the Earl of Lytton, Lord Courtney and the Archbishops of Canterbury and York, the House of Lords today created a situation unprecedented in English history, at least in three hundred years, by refusing formal assent to the burget and referring it to the country itself for judgment, therefore, in theory, making it illegal to collect taxes and carry on the King's Government. The vote was 350 to 75.

Six Days' Debate.

After six days' debate, noted for the able and convincing arguments arrayed on both sides for and against the budget, and placing in every possible light all the aspects of the great constitutional questions involved, the House of Lords cleared for division at 11:30 o'clock tonight.

Many Strange Faces Present.

The scene was impressive, but in no sense exciting, except that the House was packed, and a great array of strange faces were seen on the benches, owing to the presence of numbers of peers who only appear in the House on exceptional cases.

None would have supposed that the event proceeding was destined not only to prove memorable in the annals of British history, but possibly also involving far-reaching changes in the British constitution.

The debate maintained its dignity and high plane of statesmanship until the end, which came in a scene which is regarded the most important in the history of England. The magnificent chamber was crowded in every part. Not since 1895 has so many members of the House been assembled. Scores of peeresses, many in evening dress and blazing with jewels, and many distinguished foreigners filled the galleries. Hundreds of members of the House of Commons exercised their privilege of standing on the steps of the throne. There was, however, no dramatic features such as is felt in the atmosphere, at least in the popular branch, when a Government crisis is reported.

Unionists Cheer.

The division simply caused twenty minutes of rather dreary waiting, the delay being caused by the fact that most of the peers desired to pass through the negative lobby and many of them were not familiar even with that simple process. There was a brief Unionist cheer when the lord chancellor read the fateful figures from a bit of paper. The result had been a foregone conclusion for weeks past.

Now the country looks out eagerly for the consequences which may limit themselves to the result of a general election a few weeks hence, or as most ministerialists angrily assert, will gather force until the Upper House is swept out of existence in the near future.

The Government has not yet announced its decision regarding the proroguing or adjourning of Parliament, and it is still unknown what course it will pursue regarding the collection of taxes.

Curzon Defends Peers.

The final day's debate was again distinguished by oratorical excellence, particularly by Lord Curzon of Keddleston, former viceroy of India, and

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J. S. COOK'S HURTS PROVED FATAL

Workman Injured in Leonard's Succumbed to His Injuries Last Night.

INQUEST BEEN ORDERED

Jury Will View the Body This Evening at Smith, Son & Clarke's, Dundas Street—Sad Case.

The injuries which Mr. James S. Cook, of 206 William street, sustained by being pinned under a huge plate, weighing two tons, at Leonard's boiler shop yesterday morning, proved fatal, and Mr. Cook died in Victoria Hospital last evening shortly before 6 o'clock. He was unconscious throughout the afternoon, but from the time the accident occurred there was little hope that he would survive the terrible internal injuries he sustained.

Inquest Ordered.

Coroner Dr. Ferguson has ordered an inquest, and the jury will view the body this evening at the undertaking parlors of Smith, Son & Clarke. Mr Cook was 58 years old, and had been in the employ of E. Leonard & Sons for more than 30 years. His wife died five years ago. He was a member of Chelsea Lodge, Sons of England.

Four sons survive—William J., St. Thomas; S. J., of this city; Edgar and Herbert, at home, and five daughters, Mrs. D. R. Haynes, who only arrived in the city from Calgary a couple of days ago, and was visiting her father prior to leaving for Cleveland, where she will reside; Mrs. Granet Griffin, of Brantford; Mrs. W. H. Copeland, of Nelson street, and Misses Minnie and Edith, at home. Messrs. Samuel, Matthew, W. J., Stephen, of Cleveland, and Joseph Cook, of Uxbridge, are brothers, and Mrs. G. Capel, of Salem, is a sister.

The Funeral.

The funeral will be held on Friday afternoon from his late residence, 206 William street, to Mount Pleasant Cemetery. Rev. Mr. Claris, of the Southern Congregational Church will conduct the service. The inquest into the cause of death will commence this evening, when the jury, under Coroner MacLaren, will view the body.

Card of Thanks.

Mrs. Elijah Lampard and family, of Hyde Park, Ont., wish to thank the many friends and neighbors for the sincere kindness shown to them in their recent bereavement.

GREAT OVATION FOR MR. ASQUITH

Given Tremendous Reception in House of Commons This Morning.

TO PROROGUE FRIDAY

Premier To Move Resolution That Action of Lords Was Breach of Constitution.

London, Dec. 1.—Premier Asquith announced in the House of Commons today that he will tomorrow move a resolution to the effect that the action of the House of Lords in refusing to pass into law the financial provisions made by the lower chamber for the expenses of the year was a breach of the constitution and an usurpation of the rights of the House of Commons.

When the Premier entered the chamber this afternoon the supporters of the Government rose to their feet and greeted him with ringing cheers. Immediately following the conclusion of routine business, the Prime Minister took the floor, and as soon as he had concluded his speech the House adjourned.

Prorogue Friday.

In introducing his resolution tomorrow, Premier Asquith will go exhaustively into the question of the respective privileges of the House of Lords and the House of Commons and state in detail the Government's intentions. He will also fix the day of prorogation, probably next Friday.

Former Premier Balfour, leader of the Opposition in the Commons, will reply, setting forth the view that the new and important departures in public policy represented by the budget bill should be submitted to the people.

John Redmond, leader of the Irish party, and possibly one representative of the Labor party, will follow with speeches.

Life of Christ.

Tissot's pictures on the "Life of Christ" were presented last night by Rev. P. E. Nichol, in New St. James' Presbyterian Sunday school. The views are the best on this subject ever exhibited in London, and delighted a large audience. Miss Olivia Connor, one of the latest additions to this city's musical talent, and who has made many friends, contributed a solo.

Chief Denies.

When asked today regarding the report that Police Constable James Shortill had resigned, Chief Williams stated that as far as he was aware, the officer had not resigned, nor had any intention of resigning.

Photo by Geo. A. Henry.
REV. FATHER TOBIN,
Whose Witty Speech at St. Andrew's Banquet Was One of the Events of the Evening.

FIVE YARD ENGINES FOR G. T. R BUSINESS IS BOOMING NOW

Best Since the Record Year of 1907—Local Freight Traffic Has Been Steadily Increasing—450 Men Employed at the Car Works.

For the first time since 1907 the Grand Trunk, owing to the rush of business, have put five yard engines in commission in the local yards in order to handle the traffic. The fifth engine was put into service last night, and will, it is expected, continue.

"Local freight business has been steadily increasing for weeks," an official told The Advertiser today, "and it was simply impossible to handle the business any longer with the four yard engines. In future we will run five yard engines through the day, and three all night. Shipments of poultry, grain and dairy produce are very heavy locally just now, and we are doing a big business in through stuff, particularly cattle and grain."

The Carshops.

Mr. Thomas Treleaven, superintendent of the Grand Trunk carshops, stated this morning that the force on the pay roll now numbers 450 men.

"Things are very busy," he said, "and the prospects are that they will continue so."

Passenger traffic is also very brisk, and the through trains are all crowded.

IT'S FERGUSON OR BEATTIE FOR MAYOR STEVELY'S SHOES

Both Candidates Say They Are Not Surprised to Know That Mr Gibbons Will Not Run—The Situation as It New Appears.

It looks like Ald. Ferguson and Ald. Beattie for the mayoralty. The announcement that Mr. George C. Gibbons, K. C., would not run on the slate was received with little surprise by the prospective candidates for the chief executive of the city at noon today.

"I expected it," said Ald. Beattie. "I have all along figured that Ald. Ferguson and myself would be the candidates."

"I did not anticipate that any candidates except Ald. Beattie and myself would enter the fight," said Ald. Ferguson. "We are in to the finish, and I think we will have a very clean campaign."

May Go To Pieces.

The general impression at the hall is that the fusion slate will go to pieces, and as a result there will be a smaller field of candidates for public offices than usual.

All the aldermen will run as announced before with the exception of Ald. Parsons, and he may possibly change his mind.

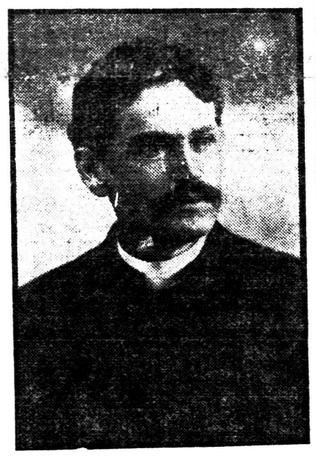
It is practically certain now that Mayor Stevely and Ald. Stewart will take a fling at the utilities board. It is not expected that either Mr. Phil Pocock or Mr. A. T. McMahen will run without Mr. Gibbons at the head of the ticket.

The Other Slate.

Little is heard of the civic committee's slate. Ald. Gerry, Ald. Moorhead, and Ald. Fitzgerald, mentioned as three of their candidates, will seek re-election, of course. Mr. J. A. Tancock will run also, and possibly some others.

Mr. A. J. Morgan, who ran last year, will again be a candidate. He will not be on any slate.

Board of education matters are quiet. There are few candidates in sight for the vacancies, although some may develop in the meantime.



REV. W. J. CLARK,
Former London Pastor, Who Was Warmly Welcomed at St. Andrew's Dinner.

MANY ARRESTS IN CAR ROBBERIES

Police at Bridgeburg Secure Long List of Suspects.

Bridgeburg, Nov. 30.—A large number of arrests were made here today in connection with car burglarizing, and tonight the police office was crowded to its utmost capacity with a large number of men who were being examined by Chief Special Officer McHugh, Detectives Heenan and Monihan, of the M. C. R., and Officers Dowd and Kee, of the Ontario police.

It appears that the police made a few arrests this afternoon. Through these men the names of a few more were learned, and these in turn informed on a few more. This was repeated so often that now the officers have so many names that it will take two or three days to examine them all thoroughly. There will be a hearing tomorrow before Magistrate Rathvon.

Art Treasure Destroyed.

Yesterday during a friendly rush between the junior and senior years of the Western University a valuable and beautiful bust of Diana, which was long ago presented to the university, was unfortunately destroyed. It is understood that the students will replace the bust by another.

THE WEATHER.

TOMORROW—RAIN.

FORECASTS.

Toronto, Dec. 1—8 a.m.

Fine and mild today, then winds increasing to strong breezes and gales; easterly to southerly winds; rain on Thursday.

TEMPERATURES.

Stations.	8 a.m.	Min.	Weather.
Calgary	36	16	Fair
Winnipeg	40	26	Snow
Port Arthur	42	36	Cloudy
Parry Sound	46	24	Clear
Toronto	42	28	Clear
Ottawa	28	10	Clear
Montreal	24	16	Clear
Quebec	26	6	Clear
Father Point	26	20	Clear

WEATHER NOTES.

The severe Atlantic storm is still situated near Sable Island, while another disturbance is developing quickly in the Western States.

Gales continue to prevail in the Maritime Provinces, attended by snow and sleet.

Colder weather has set in over the Western Provinces.

CUSTOMS RETURNS SHOW INCREASE

Receipts for Months of 1909 Are $100,000 in Excess of Last Year.

MERCHANTS ARE BUYING

But Fine Weather Has Kept Back Trade a Little—The Figures.

The customs returns for November continue to show a most satisfactory increase and Customs Collector Elliott is more than pleased at the steady advance they have made throughout the year.

The total returns for the 11 months show that the receipts for 1909 are almost $100,000 greater than they were in the same period last year.

Uniform Increases.

Every month, with the exception of January, shows a most satisfactory increase and the indications are that the prosperity that is prevalent throughout the country will continue. Merchants are buying largely and report that everything is in good shape, although in some lines trade has been a little dull on account of the unusually fine weather. On the whole, however, conditions are excellent.

November Returns.

The returns for November totalled $78,036.14, as against $62,014.64 in November last year, an increase of $16,021.50.

The total returns for the 11 months of the year amount to $818,732.05, as compared with $723,974.99 in the same eleven months of 1908.

The Figures.

The figures are as follows:

	1909.	1998.
January	$81,923 66	$99,148 43
February	67,067 35	65,891 53
March	79,716 14	76,316 81
April	62,822 74	60,224 90
May	66,860 05	49,973 72
June	71,222 61	55,286 65
July	74,088 18	65,935 78
August	80,946 11	74,762 60
September	80,978 54	59,222 05
October	74,469 53	55,197 88
November	78,036 14	62,014 64
	$818,732 05	$723,974 99

LEFT $10,000 TO BUILD A HOSPITAL

Strathroy, Nov. 30.—Through the last will and testament of the late Mrs. Inch, the following Strathroy institutions will benefit: The Town of Strathroy, $10,000 for the erection of a hospital; St. John's Anglican Church and St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Strathroy, $500 each. The Home for Incurables, London, $200.

Mayor Pope, Strathroy, and Mr. George Lewis, Metcalfe, were appointed executors for the estate.

H. H. STRATHY DEAD.

Barrie, Nov. 30.—Henry Hatton Strathy, K. C., died early this afternoon after a brief illness, death being due to heart failure. He was born in Barrie in 1847, and graduated from Osgoode Hall, afterwards entering upon the practice of law here with the late Judge W. D. Ardagh, and with the present Judge J. A. Ardagh. Deceased was a prominent Conservative and had on several occasions refused nominations for Parliament.

CANADIAN SHIPS SAYS MR. GRAHAM

Minister of Railways Makes a Brilliant Speech at St. Andrew's Banquet.

A NIGHT OF ORATORY

Rev. W. J. Clark, Rev. Father Tobin, Col. Hodgins and Others Showed Great Cleverness in Addresses.

Stirring speeches marked the annual St. Andrew's dinner held last evening in the Tecumseh House, and the function will rank as one of the most brilliant in the annals of the society.

A St. Andrew's banquet is always certain to call forth an oration worthy of the day we celebrate, and last evenof "the day we celebrate," and last evening there was not one alone, but several.

The address of Hon. Geo. P. Graham, minister of railways and canals, on "Canada," created a deep impression. He gave a short retrospect of Canadian history, touching on the salient features in the country's political and material development, and dealt inspiringly with the rapid progress in every sphere of Canadian activity. His remarks on the tariff and navy were courageous and sound, and made a distinct appeal to the patriotic sentiments of his auditors. Canada's future was painted in brilliant colors by the minister of railways. It was an address in keeping with the high traditions of public life, and it was a distinct compliment to St. Andrew's Society that a speech of such importance should be delivered at the banquet.

A Magnificent Speech.

Rev. W. J. Clark has never been heard to better advantage in London. His speech was a happy mingling of sentiment, humor, pathos and eloquence, and it touched the chords of every heart. Dr. Clark is a natural orator, as Londoners well know, and he sustained and even enhanced his reputation last evening. No speaker could be more welcome to an audience in this city, and the enthusiasm of his hearers last night was unbounded.

Rev. Father Tobin also made an exceedingly happy speech, brimful of wit and humor. It was an ideal after-dinner speech, and he was afterwards complimented highly by Hon. Mr. Graham, who described his effort as a gem.

Col. Hodgins was also in good form, and made out a strong case for better defence force in Canada. The other speakers did themselves proud. Altogether the oratory was much above the average. A pleasant interlude was the presentation of a St. Andrew's medal to Mr. George B. Gerrard, the popular president, who contemplates a visit to his native land next year.

There were about 200 guests at the banquet. The spacious dining-room of the Tecumseh House was well arranged, and was handsomely decorated with flags, banting and scores of chrysanthemums.

Mr. George B. Gerrard, president of St. Andrew's Society, presided, and at the main table with him were Hon. G. P. Graham, Rev. Dr. Clark, Col. Hodgins, Judge Macbeth, Col. Gartshore, J. B. Smallman, T. H. Purdom, K. C., and many other prominent men.

Some Regrets.

President Gerrard read a number of greetings from St. Andrew's Societies in Toronto, New York, Quebec, St. John, N.B., Petrolea, Windsor, Guelph, Philadelphia, Buffalo, St. Catharines, Hamilton and other points. Some of them are given below:

From St. Andrew's Society, Quebec:

"Our kinsmen shed their blood nearby,
And still Quebec the clansmen cry,
Would swell ayont, baith far and nigh
To mak' our hearts but yin."
—Alexander Hyde.

St. Andrew's Society, St. John, N.B.:

"Your couthie letter I hae got, wi' tickets twa an' a' that,
He'd be a humps who wudna prize your greetings kind and a' that,
For a' that an' a' that, tho' faur awa' an' a' that,
A toast wi' you for auld lang syne,
Oor mether land for a' that."
—J. B. McIntosh, president.

From St. Andrew's Society, Guelph:

Ye couthy Scots, o' Lunnon toon,
Yere sorrows a' this nicht will droon
Wi' a drop nappy, mak' it little,
For our muckle's unco kettle
On ony nicht.
James Law, president.

St. Andrew's Society, Philadelphia:

"The St. Andrew's Society of Philadelphia sends a cordial greeting to the brethren in London. May this guid Scotch nicht bring you all delicht."
—Frederick S. Giger, secretary.

Heartiest greetings from St. Andrew's Scottish Society of the city of Buffalo:

"Then sip the dew, and cheerful sing
And loud the bagpipes play, mon,
And gae the very welkin ring
Wi' blithe St. Andrew's Day, mon."
--Neil McEachren, president.

"St. Andrew's Society, St. Catharines, sends greetings:
And monie a nicht we've merry been,
And monie mair we hope to be."
—J. Wetne, president.

The Toast List.

The toast list was introduced shortly after 10 o'clock, when the health of the King was drunk. President Gerrard then welcomed the members to the banquet, and declared that it was a success in every way—worthy of the St. Andrew's Society of London.

During the evening, Tony Cortese's orchestra rendered a choice programme of music. Songs were also given by Mr. E. S. Crawford, Walter Nixon and W. A. McCutcheon in excellent voice. Mr. Charles E. Wheeler acted as accompanist.

A pleasing incident was the presentation of a jewel to the president, Mr. Gerrard, by Dr. J. B. Campbell and Mr. J. W. Jones. The affair created much enthusiasm.

Regrets were received from Major Beattie, M. P., who was to respond to the toast, "Our Legislators." He was

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GEO. C. GIBBONS DECLINES TO RUN FOR THE MAYORALTY

Issued a Brief Statement Today—Real Estaters, it Is Said, Will Now Drop Out—Board of Trade to Run Its Own Slate.

Mr. Gibbons told the committee that under the conditions that existed he did not feel justified in permitting his name to go before the electorate as a candidate for the mayoralty.

The above note handed by Mr. Gibbons to the interviewing committee of the Board of Trade and Real Estate Owners' joint committee when they called to see him this morning will in all probability end the efforts of these two bodies to run an independent slate at the coming municipal elections.

Candidates Not Available.

"In our canvass we have interviewed more than 60 thoroughly reputable citizens," a member of the committee told The Advertiser today. "Out of the 60, there were not more than five who would allow their names to go before the electors.

In the great majority of cases we were told in no uncertain manner that the men we went to would not under any consideration become mixed up in public affairs.

Will Drop Out.

It is practically certain that as far as the real estaters are concerned, that they will drop out and take no further part in the matter.

This, however, has not been definitely decided, and it is likely that a meeting will be held either tonight or tomorrow to talk the matter over with the Board of Trade members.

Board of Trade.

President McMahen of the Board of Trade, said that in the event of the R. E. O. A. dropping out he did not think the Board of Trade would continue to try and run a slate themselves.

"We made a mistake," he said, "in starting the matter too late. The other candidates had already announced that they would run, and I think Mr. Gibbons did not want a contest. Had he been approached sooner I think he would have stood."

STREET LIGHTING CONTRACT SIGNED

A Special Meeting of the City Council Was Held for the Purpose.

A CLAUSE WAS INSERTED

City Solicitor Could Not See the Necessity for It, But the Company Demanded It.

At a special meeting of the council held at noon today, the agreement between the London Electric Company and the city for street lighting was ratified, and the streets will be lighted on the sliding scale of rates for a year, provided the local plant is ready before the year is out.

When the agreement was brought in it did not include a clause to the effect that nothing in it would prejudice the rights of the company, or the city, under the franchise of the Canadian General Electric Company, made in 1893.

Mr. J. C. Judd, K.C., solicitor for the company, pointed out that such a clause should be inserted. The company were not certain that it would have any effect, but they desired to protect themselves as best they could.

"An entirely new situation has arisen," said Mr. Judd. "The city has erected poles, and if the agreement is signed, it might prejudice our rights under the franchise as well as the city's rights. We want to prevent that."

City Solicitor Speaks.

City Solicitor Meredith was called in, and did not see the necessity of the clause. However, he thought it would do no harm. He framed a clause himself conveying the same idea as that presented by Mr. Judd, only in different phraseology. This was acceptable to Mr. C. B. Hunt and Mr. Judd, and the council ratified it.

The bylaw, settling the agreement, was passed three readings.

Those present were Mayor Stevely, Ald. Ferguson, Beattie, Parsons, Stewart, Cooper, Fitzgerald, Rose and Gerry, City Solicitor Meredith, C. B. Hunt, J. C. Judd, K.C., Engineer Sifton and City Clerk Baker.

URGES DISALLOWANCE OF POWER LEGISLATION

Firm Holding $6,000,000 Bonds of Private Company Fear Grave Losses.

Ottawa, Dec. 1.—R. G. Hutchins, jun., representing N. W. Harris & Co., of New York, who hold six millions of the bonds of the Dominion Power and Transmission Company, of Hamilton, was in Ottawa yesterday to see Sir Wilfrid Laurier, and urged the Dominion Government to disallow the hydro-electric legislation of the Ontario Government pending for the establishment of a Government power enterprise which would, he said, very seriously interfere with the security of the investments in private power undertakings established without expectation that there would be Government competition and a radical interference with vested interests.

Sir Wilfrid stated that the question had already been brought to the consideration of the Government by various deputations recently in Ottawa.

FOR LOCAL OPTION

Dr. Spencer Reports a Majority in British Columbia.

Vancouver, Nov. 30.—Dr. Spencer, superintendent of local option, reports that British Columbia will give a substantial majority in favor of local option, though probably not enough to insure legislation under the Government handicap. Vancouver, Victoria and New Westminster all give good majorities.

Bequest for London.

A number of public institutions and charities in the town of Strathroy benefitted materially under the will of the late Mrs. Alice Inch, who was buried yesterday. Mayor Pope, of Strathroy and Mr. George Lewis, of Metcalfe Township, are the executors of the estate. The bequests are as follows: The Town of Strathroy, for the erection of a hospital, $10,000; St. John's Anglican Church, $500; St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, $500; the Home for Incurables, London, $200.

MILTON PIKE FOR POTENTATE

A. L. Davis Is Retiring From the Office in Mocha Temple.

SHRINERS IN LONDON

Big Crowds Are Arriving on All the Trains—Delegates for the New Orleans Convention.

The Shriners have come!

The skirl of the bagpipes welcomed this morning a hundred or more visitors to the Oasis of London, and this afternoon will witness the arrival of at least 400 out-of-town visitors.

The morning trains brought many from nearby cities and towns.

Ingersoll sent a dozen under the direction of Noble R. H. Reid, St. Thomas sent another delegation, under Noble Henry Roe, and Sarnia sent its quota, with Mr. George Parsons in command. Chatham came fifteen strong, with Chief Rabban Milton Pike, K. C., as sponsor for them. Smaller contingents came from other places.

The late trains this afternoon and evening will bring the large crowds. Buffalo left this noon with 50 strong, and will arrive at 7 o'clock by special over the M. C. R. Detroit is sending a like number, and they will pick up at least a hundred more at Chatham, Windsor and intermediate points.

Election of Officers.

This afternoon the election of officers is taking place at the city hall.

It is understood that Dr. Potentate A. L. Davis is retiring, and that Chief Rabban Milton Pike, K. C., of Chatham, will be unanimously chosen potentate. He will be succeeded by Assistant Rabban C. W. McGuire, of this city.

A few changes will be made in the minor offices, but who will be the successful candidates cannot be judged as yet.

The New Orleans Trip.

There will be a keen contest for delegates to the annual Shriners conclave to be held in New Orleans in April.

Among the names mentioned as probable candidates for this trip are Nobles Milton Pike, A. L. Davis, A. E. Somerville, Jas. Climas, W. H. Abbott and others.

The newly-elected potentate, Milton Pike will be sent to New Orleans, and the other two will have to be selected from the many aspirants.

It is expected that the new officers will be installed by Past Imperial Potentate Dr. Brown, of Buffalo, who will arrive this evening with the Bison City contingent.

The Initiation.

There will be 75 candidates initiated at the ceremonial session this evening. This is one of the largest classes ever put through.

At the banquet to be held in the Masonic Temple this evening, a number of prominent Shriners from Buffalo, Detroit, Toronto and local celebrities will deliver addresses.

ENGINEER'S HORSE WILL CAUSE TROUBLE

Ald. Cooper Thinks $200 Is Too Much to Give for One Steed.

There is going to be trouble over the purchase of a new steed for City Engineer Graydon. Yesterday, after a year's search, Mr. Graydon succeeded in getting a horse, a cream-colored steed, with lots of fire and go.

The engineer was naturally pleased with the animal as it worked out his color scheme in decorations most pleasingly. He took a jaunt with him yesterday afternoon and everything was seemingly as peaceful as the Thames.

Too Much Money.

At noon today the check was presented to Mayor Stevely for the value of the horse—$200. Ald. Cooper happened to be in the mayor's office at the time, and he waxed wrathful when he contemplated so much money for Aquila Ormsby's fine steed.

"It's too much money," quoth the alderman. "I sold horses last week for half the money and better horses, too. I was not consulted, and I should have been. Wait until the board of works meet."

Ald. Rose had not been asked about the animal either, and knew nothing about it.