

So Says Counsel Hunter In Telling of the Late Manager's Agreement With Sovereign Fire.

Interesting evidence on the organization of the Sovereign Fire Insurance Company was given yesterday in

dent of the company, declared that since January, 1908, he had sold shares for the company at a premium of \$15, the whole of the \$15 reaching the company.

Cyrus A. Birge, president, testified that he did not know till the trial begun that Mr. Hoover made presents of rebates and stock to the provisional Wallace Nesbitt. K.C., had directors. given an opinion to the directors on e policy of the company in selling shares thru Mr. Hoover.

W. H. Pike, shareholder, was present at an organization meeting in 1906, and did not hear an agreement read to pay Mr. Hoover commissions, on stock.

A. F. Webster subscribed for stock Mr. Webster heard the agreement as to commissions read at the organiza-Mr. Hoover that \$3 or \$4 would be a tion meeting.

was presented by the directors with appraised by him. would be nil under a cabinet of silver.

a cabinet of silver. W. H. Hunter, solicitor for the com-pany, testified that the expenses of the Sovereign Fire Insurance Com-many shortly after its organization were in the ratio of 267 per cent. of the source in the ratio of 267 per cent. of the source in the ratio of 267 per cent. of the source in the ratio of 267 per cent. of the source in the ratio of 267 per cent. of the source in the ratio of 267 per cent. of the source in the ratio of 267 per cent. of the source in the ratio of 267 per cent. of the source in the ratio of 267 per cent. of the source in the ratio of 267 per cent. of the source in the ratio of 267 per cent. of the source in the ratio of 267 per cent. of the source in the source i its premium income. Without Parallel.

"Is that an unusual expense for a company at its inception?" asked Justice Latchford.

'I don't think you'll find a parallel to it anywhere," said Mr. Hunter. After Mr. Hunter learned that the commission had been raised from \$5 to \$8 per share he had a stormy in-terview with Mr. Hoover.

"I wanted Mr. Hoover to go back to the \$6 arrangement. The \$8 contract meant plain ruin to the com-pany. I urged him to get back on

safe ground. I pointed out that the shareholders would point to the heavy expenses and the whole thing would

be "ripped up," he said. He had been consulted by Mr. Hoover previous to the organization of the company. He received his in-structions from Mr. Hoover, but was paid by the company. If witnesses hould testify the agreement for Mr. Hoover to be paid \$8. per share commission was read out by him as \$6 they were in error. It was utterly impossible. The possibility of error was eliminated. The difference was important enough for the man who understands the question. to at once add three storeys.

G. H. Watson, K.C., counsel for Hoover, asked witness if he was aware that his conduct in the present pro-ceedings was unprofessional, inasmuch

that his conduct in the present pro-ceedings was unprofessional, inasmuch as he was giving confidential informa-tion from ellents without their con-sent. Witness declared that such was not the case, as he was acting under the mandate of a meeting of share-belders. The marriage of Bert G. Harris, son to Miss Mabel Watson of Orangeville, to Miss Mabel Watson of Orangeville, to wiss Mabel Watson of Orangeville, to wiss Mabel Watson of the bride's parents on Wednesday. The young couple, who are very popular, will re-side in Woodbridge.

ty Loan?" "Perhaps that was a good object lesson to a man who was connected with it of a company going to dis-

ance company was grainst Addi-the suit of the company against Addi-missions paid him. Thomas Baker, London, vice-presi-dent of the company, declared that dent of the company, declared that the company 1908 he had sold shares Hoover a commission on the subscrip-

tions it was a reversal of the policy of the company. When \$6 per share was mentioned he considered that sum was too large, but he did not feel called upon to say anything to the directors. As a result of Mr. Hoover's efforts in 1906 there was a large num-ber of subscriptions received The efforts in 1906 there was a large num-ber of subscriptions received. The fact, if it were a fact, that the trus-tees of the projected Empire Company had agreed to pay a commission of \$20 per share would not affect his opinion that \$6 was too much. The meeting closed at 10 p.m., and it was resolved to hold the meetings once a month in the future. Enquiries may be addressed to and

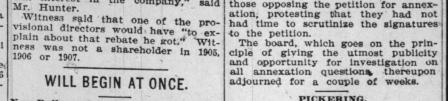
Directors Indifferent.

He did not draw up the second agreement in which the commission was raised from \$6 to \$8. He objected

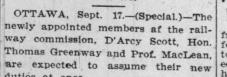
in October, 1905. He became a direc- to the policy of the directors in makin October, 1905. He became a direc-tor. The fire company was an outcome of the life company. It was an idea which originated with Mr. Hoover. Mr. Webster heard the agreement as

fair amount of commission per share. At that same meeting Mr. Hoover Mr. Hoover's services at that time, if these circumstances.

Interest in the company," said Hunter. Mr. Hunter.



New Railway Commissioners Will Have Lots to Do.



WOODBRIDGE MAN WEDS.

duties at once. Mr. Scott, the assistant commissioner, will have the same functions as the chairman, Justice Mabee, and Mrs. Alex. Rogers of Glengarry had the misfortune to full and broad bro preside in his absence or when the commission is divided up for hearing cases. He will be senior to the pre-sent deputy chief. Hon. Mr. Bernier. son Rogers'.

There is no extra room in the pre-sent railway commission building, and i. is understood to be the intention the Ladies' Aid at Maple Dale Farm last Tuesday evening. About \$20 was taken in.

WEST TORONTO.

Engineer Seriously Hurt, But Will No Lose Eyesight.

Good Man, Lut-Mr. Hunter described Mr. Hoover as troit and other western cities.

by the escaping steam. Dr. Clends

EARLSCOURT, Sept. 17.—The first meeting of the Catholics of the Earls-court district was held on Tuesday evening last at 8 o'clock at the resi-dence of Mr. and Mrs. McLure, To-ronto Heights, Earlscourt, Mr. Mo-Lure presiding.

Lure presiding. There was a large attendance, con-The property committee of the Colsidering that the notice was a short legiste Institute Board met to-night one. A chairman and an energetic and arranged to have the topographiworking committee were elected. The proceedings were spirited thru-out, and several practical and interest-Golden Star L.O.L. No. 900 met last ing speeches were listened to with deep attention. It was a subject for considerable comment, namely the large number of Catholics in properties to the number of list list of July celebrated bis might and presented W. Bro. William Johnson, the charter master of the lodge, with a gold headed cane. Mr. comment, namely the large number of Catholics in proportion to the popula-tion of the district. Thru the kindness of His Grace, the Catholics in proportion to the popula-tion of the district. Thru the kindness of His Grace, the Catholics in proportion to the popula-tion of the district. Archbishop, the chilren are conveyed in a van to and from school (St. Ce-cilia's, West Toronto).

NORTH TORONTO.

Council Cut School Board Estimates Nearly in Half.

all information given by the secretary, John Walshe, corner Nairn and Morri-son avenues, Earlscourt. NORTH TORONTO, Sept. 17 .- The council meeting to-night was a lively one. The school board attended in a

body with a proposition for the issue Ontario Railway Board Will Hear Both Sides. of debentures to the amount of \$18,000 for the building of an addition of four

for the building of an addition of four rooms to the Eglinton School and two rooms to the Davisville school, Chair-man Le Cras stated that the board Residents of Wychwood and Bracon dale will be given another spell of meditation on the subject of annexation, the Ontarlo Railway Board havhad gone thoroly into the question and ing adjourned consideration of the had come to the conclusion that matter till Thursday, October 1, at

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TODMORDEN. idea was better than the building of roperty Owners Meet and Discuss Needed Local Improvements. a school at Bedford Park. Both schools were overcrowded beyond legal per-

were overcrowded beyond legal per-mission. Councillor Parke favored a school at Bedford Park, while Councillors Home, Brownlow and Murphy did not favor the board's plan of four rooms of an addition to the Eglinton school and Councillor Douglas said that the town should not be called upon to amke provision for the dim and misty fut-ure. The council decided that two rooms to each school would be suffi-cient. Mayor Fisher reported that there are

ly supported the plan. Dr. Sneath of the Riverdale Business Men's Association was present and spoke briefly. Dr. Sneath, together with H. W. Barker of the Traders' Bank and Mr. Baines have been invited to speak at the public meeting of the association to be held in the Don Mills road on Thursday evening Sont 24 Mayor Fisher reported that there are \$40,000 of unsold debentures already, The parallel roads will cost about \$20,-000, and if the town would spend another \$12,000 for schools the amount would be considerable. "Where will the end be to debentures?".

The "parallel five roads" committee reported progress.

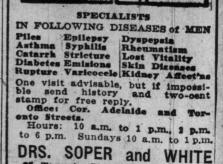
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with a committee of the town council to discuss the all-absorbing question of annexation. Town Solicitor T. A. Gibson submit-ted 16 local improvement bylaws for consolidation. The proposed meeting of the Rate-payers Association for Saturday even-ing has been postponed until Saturday week, Sept 26. Chief Constable Collins has a tele-phone installed at his residence for the convenience of the townspeople. His number is North 294. The phone number of the town hall has been number of the town hall has been Crowds for the West. changed and is North 518.

reported progress. The secretary of the board of con-trol has notified the council that Tuesday, Sept. 22, at 11 a.m., is the date and hour fixed for a conference with a committee of the town council to discuss the all-shorthing question of Rev. J. A. Miller, BA, a graduate

road on Thursday evening, Sept. 24. All are invited.



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rates are good to return during Yesterday was the first on which the first week in October.

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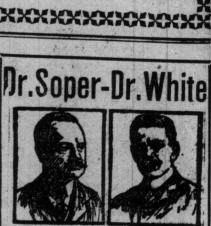
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Village is Handicapped by the Poor Railway Service. PICKERING, Sept. 17 .- A gentleman

from the city was inquiring yesterday for a house and lot, as he would like to live here. The first question he ask-ed was, What kind of a railway service

PICKERING.

GETS AN ADJOURNMENT.

have you got? Upon reporting this, he was afraid he would have to go else-where. Pickering citizens are suffering

the misfortune to fall and break a rib this week while visiting at Mr. Clark-A most successful social was held by the Ladies' Aid at Maple Dale Farm