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SACRED BRITISH PRINCIPLES VIOLATED BY GOVERNMENT SAID ALDERMAN BEATTIE

Hot Shot Thrown by a Prominent Conservative
Against Whitney and Power Commission In
Presence of Hon. Adam Beck.

POWER CONTRACTS AWARDED

Two Attempts at Delay Were Blocked, the Council Voting 6 to 4
With Ald. Cooper and Ferguson Absent.

Niagara power started a lively debate at the city council last night, practically every member of that body getting into the discussion, in addition to Hon. Adam Beck, Mr. J. M. McEvoy and Engineer Sifton. The contracts for supplies were awarded, as anticipated, and the petition presented by Mr. McEvoy on behalf of certain citizens, asking the Governor-General in Council to disallow the hydro-electric legislation was filed.

Moved for Delay.
Ald. Beattie suggested in his speech that the council stand still in the matter and allow the Government to sue the city for arrears in sinking fund and interest, and then the council would be able to enter a defence on the grounds of misrepresentation, and perhaps annul the contract, forcing it to come back to the people. The legislation validating the contracts he characterized as most iniquitous and a violation of the principles inculcated in the Magna Charta.

Ald. Stevenson also attacked the fighting feature of the Niagara Power program.

Mr. McEvoy Speaks.
When Mr. McEvoy's petition was read, after Ald. Stewart had presented the report of the special power committee, Ald. Beattie moved that Mr. McEvoy be heard. To this the council agreed.

Mr. McEvoy declared that he could add little to the preamble of the petition, which recited the reasons for asking for the disallowance of the legislation.

TEN DOLLAR FINE FOR INDIAN LISTER

Mayor Stevely Dealt Out Stern
Justice in the Police Court
Today.

Mayor Stevely took Magistrate Love's place at the sitting of the police court this morning. There were quite a number of cases, but mostly of a minor nature. James Barrett, who appeared, charged with being drunk and disorderly, acquired some good advice and a certain amount of wisdom, for which the court required him to pay \$2 or take ten days in jail.

George Konda, a Russian, Parker, who also were charged with having imbibed freely enough to make them more loquacious than seemed fitting on the street, were fined \$10 each. John Johnston, whose name is one of the decorations of the Indian list, again fell into evil ways, and was charged with being drunk and disorderly. His worship, however, took an unusual interest in his case, and by way of calling his attention to the fact that he was on the list, permitted him to relieve himself of \$10 or take twenty days.

John Howe, another man charged with being drunk, was remanded till tomorrow for a hearing. Lorne Stoneburg, who appeared, charged with trespass on the Grand Trunk property, was remanded for three days.

Agnes Moss, who is rather too much given to walking the streets, was arrested on a charge of vagrancy, and was remanded for a week.

BRIDGE BYLAW CARRIES.
Orangeville, Aug. 17.—A bylaw to raise \$7,500 for the purpose of erecting bridges within the township of Amaranth was submitted to the ratepayers of that township Saturday last, and was carried by a majority of 57. The vote was a very small one.

HIGHER CABLE RATES.
Chicago, Aug. 17.—An increase of rates on code messages was announced yesterday by the Western Union and Postal Telegraph Companies. The new schedules, aimed at the cipher message, goes into effect Sept. 1. General use of the code system, the companies argue, has had a tendency to complicate traffic.

By the terms of the dictum, cipher messages will be charged at the rate of five letters to the word instead of ten letters, unless the telegram is built on words which appear in the dictionary, domestic messages only are affected by the new rule, cable ciphers escaping the increase.

DISPUTE OVER DEPOT.

Windsor, Ont., Aug. 17.—Crown Attorney Rodd, who is acting for Sandwell West in a fight with the M. C. R. over the location of the new tunnel station, has asked the city to co-operate with the township, explaining that the company plans to place the station on the west side of its tracks at the tunnel mouth, while the township wants the station on the east side. The dispute will come before the railway commission Sept. 15.

HEROIC RESCUE OF LONDON BOYS IN STORM AT PORT STANLEY

Carl and King Burns, of This City, Saved by Russell Croden,
London, and Hector Smith, St. Thomas—Narrow Escape
of Lads Who Went Out in Old Boat.

[By Our Own Man.]

Port Stanley, Aug. 17.—Carl Burns, aged 12, his brother, King Burns, aged 5, sons of Mr. Robert Burns, of London, narrowly escaped drowning in the lake yesterday afternoon. The two lads, who are summering with their people at Erie Rest, took an old flat-bottomed boat and went out for a ride. They only had on their, a true home-made affair. They succeeded in reaching the village without trouble, and after spending some time there on the beach, they decided to return to Erie Rest.

Blow Out to Sea.
A storm blew up as they attempted to round the big breakwater, however, and they were blown a half-mile out in the lake.

The elder brother jumped in the water and attempted to swim and push the boat ashore. He was nearly exhausted, and the younger brother was crying piteously. At this moment Russell Croden and Hector Smith, son of E. H. Smith, of St. Thomas, and son of Mr. John A. Croden, of London, secured a rowboat and heroically went to the rescue. In a short time they were on the scene, and brought the two lads to shore.

Both were badly exhausted, and were placed in warm beds by Mrs. W. D. Mills, of London, where they soon recovered. Port Stanley is ringing with the praises of the rescuers, as the waves were running high, and the old boat the boys occupied would soon have been capsized. There is some criticism of the present life-saving crew, which, it is alleged, are never around when wanted.

It seems that the present system of life-saving is out of date, and the people are demanding a permanent crew to be ready for emergencies at all times.

WYLLIE'S SLAYER PAYS PENALTY

Madalari Dhinagari Was Executed
at London This Morning.

MEETS DEATH CALMLY

Only Prison Officials and a Chaplain
Witnesses of Assassin's Execution.

London, Aug. 17.—Madalari Dhinagari, the Indian student who on the night of June 1, at the conclusion of a public gathering in the Imperial Institute, shot and killed Lieutenant-Colonel Sir William Hugh Curzon-Wyllie and Dr. Cawas Lalcaia, was hanged in Pentonville Prison at nine o'clock this morning. Dhinagari was tried and found guilty of this crime and sentenced to death in the Old Bailey police court on July 23. Only prison officials and a chaplain were present at the execution. A small crowd assembled outside the prison, but there were no Indians among them. The raising of the black flag and the tolling of the prison bell announced the completion of the execution.

An English lecturer named McMaster, who has just arrived from India, applied for admission on the ground that he was a friend of Dhinagari's, but he was refused. McMaster declared that the murderer was perfectly sane when he committed the crime, and that his act was a symbolic protest against British rule in India.

Dhinagari showed no signs of fear. He declined to partake of breakfast, and walked to the scaffold calmly and quietly. Death was instantaneous.

AT LONG BRANCH RANGE

Rainy Weather Ushers In Opening
Day of the Shooting.

Long Branch Rifle Ranges, Ont., Aug. 17.—The opening day of the Ontario Rifle Association matches was ushered in rather gloomily. Rain, or rather a heavy mist, is falling, making things quite uncomfortable for the marksmen. All, however, seem jolly and highly elated at the prospects of testing their skill at the targets once more. The wind, which had been a cut breeze is blowing, but this does not deter the shooters from making good scores from the number of bullets being seen in the air.

The morning the tyro match at 200 yards was fired and in the afternoon the Canadian Club match at 600 yards was fired. The attendance is about the same as on the opening day last year, and is constantly increasing.

MONTE CARLO TRAGEDY.
Monte Carlo, Aug. 17.—The report here last night that an American named Marshall had been assassinated by a hotel guard cannot be confirmed today. The authorities say there has been no homicide in Monte Carlo. It seems that a man named Marshall, supposed to be a brother of a rich American banker, was committed to an asylum in Nice last winter for insanity. He was later released, but was shortly afterwards arrested for assaulting a policeman. He was set at liberty again a few days ago, and yesterday he came to Monte Carlo. The theory of the police is that, under the influence of mania, he himself sent a dispatch to the newspapers announcing that he had been assassinated.

Game at Springfield.
The Merchants' Springfield League will come to a close tomorrow afternoon, when the Shoe Clerks and Butchers come together at 2:30 and the Police and Grocers at 4 p. m. This is the first year for this league, and it has been a huge success. All games have been good ones and have offered lots of fun for the large crowds that have turned out. The Shoe Clerks lead the league by a good margin, but the Grocers and Butchers are fighting for second place, so two good games can be expected.

LONDON ELECTRIC AND CHEAP POWER

It Is Said That the Company Is
Negotiating With the Big
Merger for Electricity.

CATARACT OR NIAGARA

May Get Current From Either Source
to Fight the City of London's
Plant—About Prices.

It was stated today on apparently excellent authority that the London Electric Company is banking on buying water-generated power to fight the city's Niagara power plant.

It is said the company is carrying on negotiations with the big electrical merger, which holds a charter for a line from Hamilton to Brantford, and Brantford to London.

The merger will, it is said, sell power to consumers and will supply the London Electric with current from the Niagara Power Company at Hamilton or from the big private plants at the Falls.

Will Cut Prices.
A member of the company stated to the Advertiser that the London Electric would cut prices to meet any rates set by the city. This probably means that the people may get cheap house lighting. The Niagara power engineers allege that the new lamps to be installed by the city will save 60 per cent in the current used, and in addition, there will be a cut in the rate for the Kilowatt hour, a cut, he thinks, of 25 per cent. This will, he stated, mean a saving of 25 per cent in the cost of electric lighting for houses down to a lower price than gas. However, there is nothing official in this statement.

DEMARK'S NEW CABINET.

Copenhagen, Aug. 17.—The ministerial crisis which followed the resignation of the Danish cabinet last month because of its failure to secure the support of Parliament for its project of military defence, came to an end with the formation of a new cabinet under the premiership of Count Holstein-Ledeborg.

STAIRCASE HAD MOVED.

Toronto, Aug. 17.—Michael Cooper walked into the open air at 56 Pearl street early this morning, and fell 15 feet to the ground. As a result he is now at St. Michael's Hospital with his left arm broken, his right wrist badly strained and his back injured. A faircase at the back of the house leading to the ground had been cut without Cooper's knowledge.

Boy's Narrow Escape.

The young son of Mr. Heavey, of London West, had a narrow escape yesterday. With a number of companions he was playing near the river, when he suddenly lost his footing and fell into the river. Fortunately his young companions retained their presence of mind and went immediately to his assistance, and he received nothing worse than a drenching.

THE WEATHER.

TOMORROW—FAIR.
FORECASTS.
Toronto, Aug. 17.—8 a. m.
Today—Moderate to fresh northwest to north winds; scattered showers in the south and eastern portions today but mostly fair and a little cooler.

Wednesday—Moderate winds; fair.
TEMPERATURES.
Today.

Stations.	8 a. m.	Min.	Low.	High.
London	63	47	61	79
Windsor	62	46	60	78
Winnipeg	64	42	58	84
Port Arthur	69	55	54	76
Perry Sound	64	50	59	68
Toronto	62	42	65	78
Ottawa	58	38	66	68
Montreal	60	46	68	78
Quebec	62	58	56	68
Father Point	58	50	52	68
Qu'Appelle	52	32	52	78
Atlin	52	36	54	68
Port Simpson	54	34	56	68
Whitecourt	54	34	56	68
Vancouver	52	32	52	68
Edmonton	52	32	52	68
Battleford	52	32	52	68
Prince Albert	52	32	52	68
Moos Jaw	52	32	52	68
Qu'Appelle	52	32	52	68
St. John	52	32	52	68
Halifax	52	32	52	68

Local thunderstorms have occurred in Saskatchewan and Manitoba, and rain has fallen again over the greater portion of Ontario and in Quebec.
A disturbance of low energy is situated over the middle Atlantic coast.



ALD. J. H. A. BEATTIE.

Who said at the council meeting that the Whitney Government had robbed the people of right secured under the Magna Charta, by making it impossible for those who are injured by the Niagara power project to seek redress.

POWER FIGHT WILL NOT BE ABANDONED

Mr. John M. McEvoy Says It Is
Only in the Beginning and
Will Be Kept Up.

THE PETITION PRESENTED

And Which Was Turned Down by the
City Council Last Night—Asks for
Disallowance of Legislation.

The petition presented by Mr. J. M. McEvoy, asking the council to request the Governor-General-in-Council to disallow the hydro-electric legislation, will be reinforced by other petitions, and will be forwarded as soon as possible to the Governor-General.

Mr. McEvoy states that the fight has just commenced, and that by no means has he given up hope, that the people of London will yet be given an opportunity of declaring their views on the contract as it stands today, not as it was supposed to be some months ago.

Fight in the Council.
The fight in the council last night would have been much more interesting had Ald. Cooper and Ald. Ferguson been present. Both these gentlemen are notoriously opposed to the present power scheme, and they supported the petition, and it might possibly have carried.

"We have by no means quit the fight, and we are just as hopeful now as we have ever been," said Mr. McEvoy to The Advertiser. "It seems impossible to get the London people to see this matter in its true light. One can scarcely wonder at that, when one of the aldermen in the debate last evening, stated that the city was guaranteed electric power at \$23.50 when he knows, or should know, that there is no such guarantee, nor has there been, so far as I can find out. If the city had a guarantee to that effect the question would not now have been so contested. We are going on with our petitions. Several more are in circulation, and they will be signed and sent to Ottawa to the Governor-General-in-Council."

The Petition.
The petition is a somewhat lengthy one, and recites the facts concerning the Niagara power project from the beginning. The preamble states the facts as follows:

"To the Municipal Council of the City of London.
Whereas, the ratepayers of the city of London were induced to vote for a bylaw empowering the mayor and clerk of the city to enter into a contract on behalf of the municipal corporation of the city of London with the Ontario hydro-electric power commission for the purchase of electrical energy or power for the use of the city and its inhabitants, at a price not to exceed \$23.50 per horsepower, ready for distribution at the city limits;

"And, whereas, after the aforesaid vote the said commission secured to be voted by the Legislature of Ontario an act whereby, instead of delivering power to the city of London at the city limits, the commission might deliver power to the city at Niagara Falls, and the contract presented to the mayor and clerk of the city of London by the said commission provided not for the purchase of power at the city limits, as in the bylaw provided, but at Niagara Falls;

"And, whereas, the said contract provides that the city of London shall become liable for a large sum of money in excess of \$500,000 for transmission line, and \$21,000 per annum for expense of operating the transmission line;

"And, whereas, the said sums have to be paid with interest by the said corporation, whether the said corporation is able to sell the said power or not;

Misrepresentation Alleged.
"And, whereas, at the time the mayor and clerk of the city of London signed the said contract it was represented to the mayor and clerk aforesaid that, although a price, not to exceed \$23.50 per horsepower, was not fixed in the said contract, as was provided in the bylaw, yet, notwithstanding that omission, it was represented by the said contract that section No. 15 of the said contract provided that the said contract should not be operative or binding until and unless the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council passed an order-in-council bringing the said contract into force;

"And, whereas, the said contract should not be operative or binding until and unless the said order-in-council bringing the said contract into force, was passed by the said order-in-council;

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SOUTHWESTERN BY AUCTION TRACTION LINE IS TO BE SOLD

Upset Price of Say \$1,000,000 To Be Placed On It—Is Doing
Big and Paying Business Now But Old Debt of \$100,000
Is Too Much to Handle—Mr. Moore for the
Receivers Speaks.

It is announced that the Southwestern Traction Company will be sold by auction in the near future.
No official announcement as to the winding up of the affairs of the company has been made by Mr. R. K. Cowan, master in chancery, but it is understood that the receivers will at the demand of the bondholders offer the plant and equipment for sale to the highest bidder within a few weeks' time.

In Receivers' Hands.
For some months, the company has been administered by receivers, and is at the present time.

For a year past, the management have been in financial straits, and it has been impossible to place the concern on a sound basis.
The difficulty seemed to be the looking after of \$100,000 floating debt incurred when the three-phase system was installed in the power plant. This did not prove a success, and it had to be taken out, and the present system installed.

The change involved the expenditure of \$100,000, and it has been impossible to get rid of this, and maintain the road.

The English bondholders became impatient, and it was decided to dispose of the line. It was then placed in the hands of receivers, and the offering of it for sale is the last chapter.

Possible Purchasers.
Several attempts have been made to dispose of the property. It is known that several large railway companies, McKenzie & Mann, and some Americans, have been looking over the property.

BOWER OF BEAUTY IS THE CITY HALL.

Summer Flower Show of Horticultural Society Opens
This Afternoon.

The city hall is a regular bower of beauty today. The annual summer flower show of the London Horticultural Society opens this afternoon, and the city hall is a beauty spot, beyond question.

This morning the members of the society were busy placing the flowers in position, and arranging the exhibits. As creditable as former shows, have been this gives promise of far outstripping them.

There is a particularly fine showing of gladioli. This pretty flower is shown in an infinite variety of colors and shades, and attracted numerous admirers. As the roses are queen of the flowers, gladioli claim that the gladioli is king. In any event, the flowers are very beautiful, and are well worth going to see.

Mr. H. Groff, of Simcoe, one of the leading exhibitors of this flower in America, never forgets the London show, and today he has a whole table filled with the finest specimens. Some of the local exhibitors are also showing some fine ones, some of them as alluring as the Groff specimens.

The London waterworks department have a fine lot of flowers of many varieties on exhibition. All are highly creditable, but the most striking part of the exhibit is the display of water lilies. They are very fine. The local exhibitors are also showing some fine ones, some of them as alluring as the Groff specimens.

Among the exhibitors are John Paine, W. H. Liddlecott, H. A. Bapty, Dr. Tillmann, S. Scarsion, E. Wyatt, John Stevenson, A. McPherson, P. H. Good, C. J. Fox, W. E. Saunders and many others.

The show will be continued today and tomorrow. The hall will be opened evenings.

LORD ABERDEEN TO QUIT DUBLIN

May Be Made Knight of the Garter—
Lady Aberdeen Known in Detroit.

Dublin, Aug. 17.—It is reported in official circles in Dublin that the Earl of Aberdeen will shortly retire from his post as lord lieutenant of Ireland, receiving as a solatium the Knighthood of the Garter, vacated by the death of the Marquis of Ripon.

Lord Aberdeen has never been exactly happy in Dublin, nor adapted himself quite to the peculiarities of the Irish capital, and the trouble connected with the loss of the insignia of St. Patrick from the castle added to the difficulties of his position.

The difficulty in the way of Lord Aberdeen's retirement is the paucity of Liberal peers eligible for the post. It is suggested that Lord Granard, the master of the horse, a young Irish peer who takes the very seriously and has become a sort of "handy man" for the Government, both socially and politically, might be appointed to the vice-royalty.

At present, Lord Granard, being a Roman Catholic, is ineligible for the position, but this difficulty will be overcome when William Redmond's bill for the repeal of the disability of Catholics becomes a law, as it is bound to become.

The Earl of Granard, as master of the horse, is almost continuously brought in contact with the King and enjoys his majesty's friendship. He is married to an American, who was before her marriage Miss Beatrice Mills, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ogden Mills, of New York.

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erty, but none of them took it at the price offered.
It is also known that many of them are still watching the property, and they will probably be on hand when the road is offered by auction.

Worth \$1,000,000.
It is understood that an upset price of nearly a million dollars is placed on the road.

When the road was projected \$750,000 was issued in bonds, and \$750,000 was issued in stock.

The major portion of the bonds were disposed of in England, and they held them yet.
Large sections of the stock are also held in England, although the majority of the shares are held in Canada, principally in this city.

Order Made.
"The road will be offered for sale, as an order has been made by the court to that effect," said Mr. John S. Moore, who represents the receiving company. "It is rather premature to say that it will be offered by auction, although that is probably the form in which the sale will be held."

"An upset price will be placed on the plan, to be fixed by the courts." "When this is done, the property will be disposed of. I do not know when this will be."
"So far we have received no definite offers for the road. We have numerous inquiries, but no offers as yet."

Big Business.
The Southwestern has done a fine business this summer, and is recognized as a good investment once it is placed on a sound financial basis.

CONSTRUCTION WORK WILL SOON COMMENCE

Three Thousand Poles To Be
Erected Throughout City
for Hydro Plant.

The decision of the city council to award tenders for Niagara power means that construction work will commence at a very early date.

Although the amount of the contract signed last evening was only about \$25,000, it will mean the expenditure of fully that sum to place the poles and other equipment in position, and the construction of the plant.

Some 3,000 poles will have to be erected in the next two months throughout the city. This will give employment to a considerable body of men.

In addition it will be necessary to string wires, and fit cross-arms, and do other work common to the establishment of a power plant in the city. The city will also go ahead with the building of the power station, and the power machinery. The estimated cost of this is not at hand, but it will amount to quite a tidy sum. When that is done, the work of installing the machinery will follow rapidly.

This part of the equipment, it is understood, will be purchased by the hydro-electric commission, and the materials, large quantities of it are now on order, and it is expected that they will be on hand as soon as the building is ready.

"We will expend perhaps \$50,000 in equipment, poles, wires, etc., and erecting them on the motion passed by the council last evening, said Engineer Sifton. "I have not prepared the estimates for the building, but that will cost quite a sum of money, too. So you see, with this order installing the machinery will follow rapidly."

Three thousand poles will not be sufficient to cover the city, and an order for two thousand more will likely be considered when the present order of poles is erected.

KNIFE FOR CRIMINALS

Plan Proposed to the American Prison Association.

Seattle, Wash., Aug. 17.—The American Prison Association spent most of the session today in a heated debate on a paper written by Dr. H. C. Sharp, formerly surgeon in the Indianapolis reformatory, on the "Indian plan" of performing surgical operations on hopeless idiots and confirmed criminals. E. F. Morgan, superintendent of the Virginia penitentiary, delivered his annual address as president of the Wardens' Association.

In the absence of Dr. Sharp, his paper was read by Amos W. Butler, of Indianapolis. During a discussion of the outdoor plan of treating convicts, every speaker told of the good results of banishing armed guards and putting the prisoners on honor. Debate on the Indian plan was begun by a delegate moving that Dr. Sharp's paper be suppressed, on the ground that the Indian plan was contrary to the Bible.

One delegate objected to the continuation of the debate before women, who composed a third of the audience. Thereupon the women delegates took part in the controversy, led by Mrs. Debora H. C. Weeks, president of the Philadelphia Social Purity League.

Mrs. L. R. Eastwood, of South Dakota, advocated the chloroforming of idiots, and this made the delegates laugh.

During the debate it was announced that Connecticut and California had followed Indiana. The motion to suppress Dr. Sharp's paper was not put to a vote.