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DEATH BLOW TO SECTIONALISM

Edmonton a United City—the 1908 Council's Greatest Work. The Year's Accomplishments.

That one of the most progressive and uniformly successful years in the history of the city of Edmonton, or, indeed, in the history of any city in Canada, is drawing to its close, was brought to the attention of the citizens Friday evening by the holding of the annual ratepayers' meeting in the Separate school theatre. At this meeting the annual report showing the work done during the past year and giving a detailed statement of all receipts and expenditures was presented and nothing but complete satisfaction and unqualified approval of the work of the civic administration of the year 1908 was heard.

The outstanding figure in the affairs of the city during the past year, and the man to whom the city owes a large debt of gratitude for his careful and yet progressive policy is Mayor John A. McDougall. Assuming the important position of chief magistrate of the city at a time when chaos and confusion reigned supreme, when the city's financial standing was impaired, its various departments disorganized, and the city split up into opposing factions, Mayor McDougall restored order and placed the city in the proud position of one of the most progressive and up-to-date cities in Canada. When he appeared at the meeting before the ratepayers of the city to give an account of his stewardship, he was met by prolonged and hearty applause, a tribute to the splendid success he has made. As his address proceeded and he set forth in a clear cut statement of the finances of the city, showed the improvements made and the flourishing condition of all departments, admiration for the work of the mayor and council for the year 1908 deepened, and at the conclusion a hearty vote of thanks to the administration was unanimously carried.

There were present on the platform besides the mayor, Commissioners Butchart and McNaughton, and Ald. Bellamy, Lee, Armstrong, Manson, Anderson, McInnis, Fraser and Gariepy. The meeting was not large, but this in itself, might be taken as a good indication of the satisfaction the citizens feel in the way the city's affairs have been handled during the year. The mayor spoke for over an hour and a half. Upon the conclusion of his address Commissioner McNaughton referred briefly to the new gas producer plant, explaining the cause of the trouble experienced in putting it in regular operation after which the meeting adjourned. Nearly all the aldermanic candidates were present and listened with marked attention to the resume of the work of the city during the past year.

Mayor McDougall Speaks.

Mayor McDougall stated that the purpose of this meeting was for the mayor and council of the past year to give an account of their stewardship. They had not made many promises when seeking election, but he thought they had carried out these promises and more, too. (Applause.)

The mayor deplored the fact that there were not more present at the meeting, but felt that he might take it as implying a feeling of satisfaction with the work of the council during the past year. (Cries of "Sure," and applause.)

"Industry, energy and enterprise," was the motto adopted by Edmonton when it was created a city four years ago, and the mayor stated that the council during the past year had endeavored to exemplify this motto. Edmonton today occupied the enviable position of one of the most enterprising and progressive cities of Canada.

One of the first steps taken by this year's council was to abolish the old idea of small special committee meetings and to institute a general committee meeting of the whole council every Monday night. At these meetings all questions of interest were fully and carefully discussed. These meetings were open to the public. He believed they had resulted in a great good and would be continued in future.

Another institution of the council, and one which the mayor had promised when seeking election, was the appointment of a permanent auditor. Last year the annual report had not been issued until June 9th, and by that time the matters contained in it had lost interest. This year the report was already prepared and a number had been brought to the present meeting.

The purpose of this public meeting was to let the ratepayers of the city know how their money had been expended. The annual report just issued contains a full report from all the departments of the city.

C. P. R. Bridge Question.

Another step taken by the council

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ROOSEVELT ON TRAIL OF THE COPPER TRUST

On the Ground That Government Has the Right to Protect Its Own Property Against Destruction From Poisonous Fumes from Smelters. He Orders Institution of Injunction Proceedings.

Washington, Dec. 7.—President Roosevelt has decided that the right of the government to protect its own property gives him sufficient authority to proceed against the Anaconda properties of the Smelting Trust, and, inasmuch as thousands of acres of forest reserves are alleged to be in danger of destruction from the poisonous fumes from the smelters, he has the proper officials at work on plans to end the nuisance.

The new attorney-general has advised the bill of equity to be filed in the United States court in Montana. The department of justice has been instructed to go to the mines and make a complete report.

This step of the President's has served to increase the alarm of the trust people, who expect to dispose of the whole matter at the conference with the President. Department officials who talked on the subject today said that the case was a very plain one and that no court could fail to sustain a bill in equity when filed by the department.

Right to Protect Its Own Property.

"The authority under which the President acts," said one of the officials today, "comes through the department of justice. It has always been realized that the government has a right to protect its own property. The way that is done is to introduce, as in this case, a bill of equity, and where damage to property is shown to exist, an immediate injunction will be issued. We expect to stop the destruction of government property by injunction, one of the simplest processes known to the department. It is obvious, too, that if the government should issue an injunction it will be to the advantage of all concerned, private interests and all.

"It is because of the determination of the government to proceed at once with a strong hand that the mine owners and smelters are afraid that an injunction would either cause grave and expensive changes in their ways of doing business, or stop their output, which would run up into the millions. A big fight is, therefore, expected when the bill in equity is filed.

Unlimited Money to Fight.

The ability of the trust to fight the government is only measured by its money, which is practically unlimited. If the smelters are actually closed down from 12,000 to 15,000 men will be thrown out of work and the output of the company immensely decreased. The representatives of the Anaconda company made a protest to the President against the government's interference in their affairs. The President, however, took the view that the government could not wait on private suits, and that it was a case in which the United States was interested. At the conferences were John D. Ryan, manager of the Anaconda company; Senators Carter and Dixon, of Montana; and Lodge, of Massachusetts; Representative Pray, of Montana. Solicitor General Hoyt and the officials of the Copper Trust were also present.

Fatally Injured by Radial Car.

Brantford, Dec. 7—Mrs. Flanders was fatally injured at a crossing of the Brantford and Hamilton Radial railway this afternoon. She was endeavoring to stop one of the fast eastgoing cars, when the front end struck her, inflicting severe injuries to the skull.

Perjury Charges Not Sustained.

Chatham, Dec. 7—William Marchand and Fred Harris, of Tilbury, charged by Conservatives with perjury in the Dominion election, were tried before Judge Dowling and dismissed.

G.T.P. to Operate Steamers.

Montreal, Dec. 7.—It is officially announced the G.T.P. will put two 21-knot steel steamers into the Pacific coast trade in 1910.

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BRITAIN TO KEEP HER HANDS OFF

Will Not Interfere in Haytien Complications—U. S. Must Protect British Interests.

Port-au-Prince, Hayti, Dec. 7.—General Antoine Simon, the Revolutionary leader, by virtue of the power conferred upon him by a so-called Central Revolutionary Committee of the south, was this afternoon appointed chief of the executive power with the right to name his ministers. The military post was illuminated and a display of fireworks was made. The populace was entertained by music and dancing. The steamship Otori, specially chartered by the Revolutionists, entered the bay today, coming from Kingston, Jamaica, with all kinds of political refugees, among them General Fouchard. These people do not seem to bring the olive branch in their hands, but, on the contrary, the same rancour and hatred found in the hearts of all Haytien politicians are once more in evidence. It is expected that difficulties will now begin, as these people intend to live on the Haytien people. On landing, General Fouchard was met by General Simon, who embraced and kissed him.

Great Britain Disgusted.

Great Britain has thrown up her hands as regards the complications in this republic, and the safeguarding of her citizens here has been put up to the United States authorities. This situation is declared, by Mr. Murray, the British Charge here, to be the result of an intimation last March that the American government did not look with friendly eyes upon Britain interfering in national affairs in Hayti. British citizens, who have appealed to Mr. Murray for protection have been sent from his residence to the American Legation, with the information that the United States was responsible for their care.

After Mr. Murray had cabled home that anarchy reigned here and the cruiser Scylla had been sent to his aid, he announced at a meeting of the diplomatic corps that he had received instructions from his government to keep his hands off, and that the United States would watch over British interests. He instructed the commander of the Scylla under no circumstances to land men.

United States Must Get Busy.

Mr. Murray then wrote to Mr. Furniss, the American minister, a letter which confirmed his statement and concluding by asking why British interests had not been protected during the pilliage scenes of December, and what precautionary measures the American navy intended to take for the further protection of Britishers and their properties in Hayti. Since then Mr. Murray is conspicuous by his absence at the diplomatic meetings. He will not detain the Scylla here longer than five days.

Two British merchants, who called on his residence for protection, were directed by him to go next door to the American legation. One of these men was Mr. Hall, of G. L. Yon Hall & Co., a reliable West Indian Britisher.

U. S. Navy on Business Basis.

Washington, Dec. 6.—Representative Richmond Pearson Hobson will introduce a bill in congress to increase the efficiency of the personnel of the United States navy. The bill is designed to put the personnel of the navy on a business like basis by adjusting the number of officers automatically to the number and tonnage of the ships and would relieve congestion in some ranks. The bill leaves to the President the matter of detail in regard to the promotions, and is partly designed to increase the length of service of flag officers who are at present in those ranks on an average of only two years. The measure would bring the personnel up to the level of the proposed material of the navy.

King Has Rheumatism.

London, Dec. 6.—Reliable information from Sandringham says that King Edward's illness is more severe than the simple cold, which the official report says is the matter. During the entertainment of King Oscar of Sweden at Windsor Castle, King Edward caught a severe cold, which resulted in rheumatism of the legs. While the disorder is not serious, it has kept the king confined to the house, and he is forced to undergo extensive treatment of mustard baths and electric massage. It is unlikely that the King's condition will improve sufficiently to permit him to open the famous cattle show at Smithfield, an event which he has not missed for several years.

Much Money for Investment.

Toronto, Dec. 7—Sir Henry Pellatt, electric power magnate, has returned from England. He says the plans of the Niagara Power company will not interfere with the Ontario government's transmission lines. He says business is poor in England, but an immense amount of money is seeking investment.

Socialist Organizer Coming North.

Calgary, Dec. 5.—C. M. O'Brien, organizer for the Socialist party in Alberta, arrived in the city yesterday on his way north to visit the different clubs in that part of the province.

To Take Ontario Affidavits in Quebec.

Toronto, Dec. 7—The Ontario government has appointed John Jennings Creelman, of Montreal, commisiosner for taking affidavits in Ontario courts.

POLICE AND STUDENTS CLASH.

Queen's University Men Involved in Strenuous Encounter.

Kingston, Dec. 6—The police and Queens university students had a clash in the street last night. The students were having their annual "rush" and tried to force their way into the Grand opera house. The police intervened and the students were driven out. Later a fight occurred on the street, the students throwing mud and eggs and the police using their clubs. The front of the opera house was badly damaged. The police arrested six of the ring leaders, and had to fight every inch, taking them to the station. Only when the constables were ordered to draw revolvers did the students desist. The constables and some students were hurt. The college authorities offer to pay all damages, but litigation is threatened.

CASTRO MUST MAKE OFFICIAL APOLOGY

Venezuelan President Will Not be Permitted to Land in France Until He has Presented Formal Regrets for Action Toward French Minister—Holland's Naval Demonstration.

Paris, Dec. 7—If President Castro, of Venezuela, comes to Bordeaux, he will not be allowed to set foot on French soil until after he has offered a formal apology for the fashion in which he has faunted France. This decision was reached at the cabinet meeting today. There are two reasons; first, because it was suspected that Castro would disembark at Santander, Spain, and second, because his physical condition may be such that from humanitarian motives it might render immediate care at a hospital imperative.

But should he arrive at Bordeaux and his illness not be serious, the cabinet has determined that some signal redress must be exacted from him for his ignominious expulsion of M. Taigny, the French charge d'affaires, from that country in 1906. Permission to land, therefore, will be made conditional, upon first receiving a telegram of official apology from the president to the French government.

Dr. Domingo Costel, the Venezuelan consul general at Hamburg, and D. E. Scalante, consul general at Liverpool, passed through Paris today on their way to Santander, presumably to meet President Castro.

Object of Naval Demonstration.

Rotterdam, Dec. 7—According to the Nieuwe Rotterdamsche Courant, Holland's naval demonstration against Venezuela is aimed at sequestrating the Venezuelan gunboats and scout ships. This action would make it impossible for Venezuela to transport troops to threatened places, and would prevent her from interfering with the contraband trade between the Venezuelan coast and Curacoa.

LORD STRATHCONA'S SUCCESSOR

Has Post of Canadian High Commissioner Been Offered to Sir Montague Alan.

Canadian Associated Press. . . . . .

London, Dec. 7—The Daily Mail says the successor of Lord Strathcona has not yet been appointed but it is understood the post has been offered to Sir Montague Allan, who is not, however, asked to decide immediately.

Earl Selborne, in distributing prizes to the Diocesan college at Cape Town, said: "You must be patriotic, good, stout South Africans first, but you must not forget the Empire of which South Africa is a part. You cannot be a good son of the Empire unless you are a good Englishman or a good South African first."

G.T.P. NEEDS MORE LABOR.

Men From U. S. Coming to Canada to Work.

Vancouver, Dec. 6.—S. P. Williams, Dominion inspector of immigration, left for Ottawa today, having completed his inspection from Halifax to Vancouver. He states that the service is rapidly increasing in effectiveness, especially on the international boundary, owing to the increase of the official staff. Instructions have been given for a strict enforcement of the precautionary requirements of the act and this, Mr. Williams thinks, will protect the Canadian labor market from a flood of the undesirable element. He admitted that there was a considerable number of American laborers now going north, seeking employment on the G.T.P., but so far as he could learn they were not previously hired in the states. The inspector said he had been advised that the new comers were greatly needed, as sufficient Canadian labor could not be secured.

Prominent Hamilton Man Dead.

Hamilton, Dec. 7—William J. Copp died very suddenly at noon today at his residence. He came down for dinner apparently in his usual health and was seized with illness. Mr. Copp had been deacon in the James street Baptist church for twenty-five years and was a member of the senate of McMaster university.

Another Morocco Ruler.

Tangier, Dec. 6.—There is yet another Sultan for Morocco, Mulai Mohammed, brother of the reigning Sultan, has been proclaimed at Rabat. He was rescued by the Zemmour tribe from an escort of 150 men who were taking him as a prisoner to Fez. Other tribes are now supporting the new Sultan.

CITIES MAY BUILD HIGH LEVEL BRIDGE

An Excellent Site Located at End of Seventh Street—Engineers Now Surveying.

Surveys made by the engineering department of the provincial government for a site for a central bridge across the Saskatchewan, in accordance with the request of Mayor McDougall, reveal the fact that an excellent site can be secured for a moderate-priced high-level traffic bridge between the two cities that will completely obviate the necessity of the traffic section of the proposed C.P.R. structure. According to the rough estimate, the contemplated bridge can be built for less than $200,000, or almost for the same amount as now guaranteed by the provincial government, and the cities of Edmonton and Strathcona as grants towards a structure to be erected by the Canadian Pacific.

The site is from the high ground at the end of Seventh street, which runs past the west of the temporary government offices to a point almost on the spot where the offices of John Walter's lumber yard are located on the Strathcona side. There would be a necessity for trestle work on the Strathcona side, similar to that of the C.N.R. bridge at Fort Saskatchewan, which would carry the level of the bridge to a point nearly west of Strathcona Brewery.

On Saturday afternoon, Mayor McDougall and Deputy Minister of Public Works John Stocks went over this ground and both were very favorably impressed with the prospects.

It would now seem from the surveys that the key to the situation is in the hands of the two cities and not with the C.P.R., who have for a long time kept Edmonton and Strathcona patiently waiting in the hope that work would be started from month to month.

The proposed bridge will give an easy grade both on the Edmonton and the Strathcona side of the river. The main traffic on the Edmonton side would likely be up Seventh street to Jasper, but several other routes are being considered by those in charge of the surveys. Any of these would give an excellent grade into the heart of the city.

The government engineers are also making surveys for the Fourth street site and one at Sixth street. The data, with approximate cost, etc., will be ready in the course of a month or two.

GOEBEL MURDER CASE.

Recent Revelations May Result in Arrest in Famous Case.

Lexington, Ky., Dec. 6.—As the result of revelations made during the political contest in the twenty-seventh judicial district, which closed last night, a new arrest may be made in the murder plot which had as its victim Senator W. Goebel. The contest was between a candidate supported by Caleb Powers, who was pardoned for alleged complicity in the Goebel murder, and the friends of D. C. Edwards, against whom Caleb Powers will be a candidate for Congress.

During an address made at London, Ky., a woman in the audience arose and shrieked that she knew the man who fired the shot that killed Goebel, that he was still at large in Laurel County and that his name had never been connected with the Goebel conspiracy. The man referred to by the woman is said to be a well-known citizen and a warm admirer of Powers. The woman's accusation created a great sensation. No action has as yet been taken, but it is expected that an arrest will occur soon.

DEVELOP HIGH EXPLOSIVES.

United States Keeping Pace With Foreign Countries.

Washington, Dec. 7—That the United States army has been keeping pace with the armies of foreign countries evidenced by the report of Brig. Gen. William Crozier, chief of the bureau of ordinance of the war department. The discovery by Russian officers that the Japanese had been using a mysterious high explosive during the Russian-Japanese war led to wide experimentation in this line throughout the world. It is now said the United States government has obtained explosives even more powerful than the Japanese.

At the Sandy Hook proving grounds the firings under the direction of the war department involved an expenditure of 73,945 pounds of powder, with 3,341 projectiles and 167 pounds of fixed ammunition, a total of 3,755 rounds having been fired in addition to 469 explosive tests. These firings necessitated the preparation of 355 special secret reports, which are closely guarded.

Kellogg to Be Attorney-General.

Washington, Dec. 7.—Frank B. Kellogg, the "trust buster," is now sure of his place in the Taft cabinet. Wm. Nelson Cromwell has made his plea for the post of attorney general and has been turned down.

Mistook Poison for Headache Powder.

Brantford, Ont., Dec. 7.—Annie Babcock, aged 34, a domestic, took a dose of rat poison this morning and expired before medical assistance arrived. The woman was subject to headaches and took the poison in mistake for a powder. There will be no inquest.

DIAMOND THIEVES CORRALLED.

Caught in Act of Substituting Paste Ring in Winnipeg Store.

Winnipeg, Dec. 6—Phil Greenbaum, Sadie Wilson, Alfred Copeland and Alexander Matthews, colored, giving their address as Chicago, and who claim they have been operating in a number of large cities on the continent, have been arrested, charged with having stolen a diamond ring from the jewelry store of D. R. Dingwall.

They were arrested Saturday night in the store of Porte & Markle. Markle had taken them into the vaults and displayed his stock, but there was nothing there to suit their fancy. In glancing around Markle caught Greenbaum in the act of substituting a phony ring for a solitaire which he valued at $300. Pulling a gun on them, he ordered them to stand until the police arrived. Upon their arrival at the police station it was found by the detectives that the description of the first two tallied with that of two long-sought well known diamond thieves.

A confession by Sadie Wilson resulted in the arrest of two others, and in their room was found the proceeds of many other robberies, but so far little of the plunder has been identified.

ARCHBISHOP O'CONNELL ON MISSION TO JAPAN

Roman Catholic Church Securing a Footing in Mikado's Kingdom—Boston Prelate Has Secured Recognition of Pope's Authority and Freedom of Catholic Worship.

Boston, Dec. 7.—It has just been learned that Archbishop O'Connell, of Boston, who will celebrate his forty-ninth birthday Tuesday, is making preparations for a second visit to Japan, and will start for Tokio early in the year to become another factor in the Imperial diplomatic events that are changing the world's relations with the empires of the East.

In the fall of 1905, when he was then bishop of Portland, Maine, the Pope sent him on an important mission to the Mikado in the interests of the Catholic missions and the church connections in Japan.

In his dealings with the Japanese government Bishop O'Connell was eminently successful in gaining the Pope's authority to grant freedom of Catholic worship secured throughout the empire. It was arranged that two Catholic universities should be established, one at Tokio and the other at Agaski.

AUSTRIA FULLY PREPARED.

Peace in Balkans Only Maintained by Her Firm Attitude.

Vienna, Dec. 6—This city is full of warlike rumors based on the grave events of the last few days. The popular belief is that peace is only maintained through Austria's firm attitude against Servia and Montenegro and the huge preponderance of the Austrian forces. Austria is fully prepared for war at any moment. The emperor has signed the mobilization order which is ready for promulgation without delay, releasing the army which is already massed on the Servian and Montenegran frontiers. An unconfirmed report states that the Montenegrans opened a bombardment on Cattaro in Dalmatia Friday. Archduke Francis Ferdinand, who is leader of the war party, had a violent scene with a high court official. Blows were exchanged and the police interfered, causing a great scandal and the banishment of several persons from the arch-duke's residence.

C.P.R. Conference in Winnipeg.

Vancouver, Dec. 5.—For the purpose of attending a conference of the C.P.R. officials of western lines to be held in Winnipeg next week, F. F. Busteed, general superintendent, C. B. Foster, general passenger agent, W. H. Roberts, assistant general freight agent, and Captain Troup, superintendent of the coastwise steamer service company, will leave for the Manitoba capital tomorrow. They will spend two days in conference.

Unemployment in Prince Albert

Prince Albert, Sask., Dec. 6.—Over a hundred unemployed held a meeting here on Saturday. The lumber industry is at a standstill, but it is alleged that the employment agents are shipping men in on every train. The situation is serious, as most of the men are subsisting on charity and some are on the verge of starvation.

Evading Ontario Statute.

Ottawa, Dec. 7.—The recently organized Civil Service Loan Association finds the Ontario statute (requiring incorporation and paid-up capital of thirty thousand dollars) interfering with its plans. Pending an application for Federal incorporation, the association has decided to operate under the Quebec laws and will open an office in Hull.

Deseronto Man Murdered.

Deseronto, Ont., Dec. 7.—The news has been received here of the murder of a Deseronto man namd Pope Flood, who was shot and instantly killed on a street in St. Louis yesterday by an intoxicated man. Flood was formerly a telegraph operator here and was to return to Montreal, Quebec, where he had secured a situation.

SIX PROTESTS ARE FILED IN ALBERTA

One in Sackatchewan, Seven in Manitoba, Thirty-five in Quebec, One in Ontario.

Liberals and Conservatives in the province of Alberta split even on the seemingly inevitable protests which follow the general elections. Two hours after the Bulletin had gone to press on Saturday, protests for the election of six of the Alberta members were filed with Alexander Taylor, clerk of the supreme court. The members whose seats have been protested are, Liberals: Hon. Frank Oliver, Edmonton; Wilbert McIntyre, Strathcona; Dr. Clarke, Red Deer; Conservatives: J. Magrath, Medicine Hat; John Herron, Macleod; M. S. McCarthy, Calgary. The protested election of Liberal members from the north just offset the protests on the seats in the Conservative south. The only seat in the province not protested is that of W. H. White, of Victoria.

The petitions filed with the clerk of the court have much the same grounds for action. They refer to the offering of bribes either in money or other valuable assets, the accruing of votes by threats and several other charges.

In the case of the protest for the seat in the Edmonton constituency, the assertion is made that the Hon. Frank Oliver's nomination papers were not properly attested and that his election was marked by bribery and corruption.

The petition will be heard before a judge of the supreme court.

Thirty-Five Protests in Quebec.

Montreal, Dec. 6.—The outcome of yesterday's contestations in the province of Quebec shows that thirty-five seats have been petitioned against. Conservatives have entered petitions against Rimouski, Temiscouata, Montmagny, Lotbiniere, Portneuf, Quebec county, Quebec centre, Montmorency and Bellechasse, in the Quebec district, and Brome, Stanstead, Drummond and Athabasca in the eastern townships, with Huntingdon, St. James, Hochelaga, Maskinonge, Joliette, Napierville, Berthier, Iberville, Montcalm and Beauharnois. Liberals contest Mr. Monk in Jacques Cartier, Mr. Doherty in St. Annes; Ames in St. Antoine, Perley in Argenteuil, Col. Worthington in Sherbrooks; Mr. Price in Quebec West, Forget in Charlevoix, Blondin in Champlain; Dr. Lortie in Houlanges; Nantel in Terrebonne and Paquette in L.Islet. Disqualification and annulling of the election is asked in every case on both sides of the house, but the Conservatives have gone one better. By counter-petition, they ask for the personal disqualification of three ministers, Hon. Messrs. Brodeur, Fisher and Lemieux as well as Hon. Mr. Taschereau, minister of public works in the Quebec government.

Two petitions were entered against the Conservative leader, Mr. F. D. Monk, M.P. for Jacques Cartier.

Saw-Off in Nova Scotia.

Halifax, N.S., Dec. 6—There are to be no election protests in Nova Scotia. The two parties have agreed on a "saw-off."

The Conservatives had prepared election protests against E. M. MacDonald in Pictou, W. S. Fielding in Queens-Shelbourne, Dr. Black in Hants and S.W. Pickup in Annapolis. The Liberals went two better, and had papers prepared for petitions against the election of all the six Conservatives returned in Nova Scotia, including R. L. Borden and A. B. Crosby in Halifax. Negotiations for the saw-off began about two weeks ago and the result was that on Saturday, when the court closed, no petitions had been filed. Lawyers representing both parties were in court, Saturday, and remained watching each other till one o'clock, when the office closed. It is said that in some of the counties the Conservatives are not at all pleased at this course. It is not altogether unlikely that there will be a number of prosecutions against private individuas for violations of the clauses of the Election act. These can be brought at any time.

Seven Protests in Manitoba.

Winnipeg, Dec. 7—Protests have been filed under the Dominion Controverted Elections act, against seven of the eight Conservative candidates returned in Manitoba in the federal election. The petitions are against Alexander Haggart, Winnipeg; J. H. Bradbury, Selkirk; G. Campbell, Dauphin; W. H. Sharp, Lisgar; Dr. Roche, Marquette; W. D. Staples, Macdonald, and A. J. Meighen, Portage la Prairie, and with the exception of Winnipeg and Selkirk, are almost entirely on statutory grounds. In these two there are special counts, such as organizing a big campaign fund for the province.

Protest Sir Wilfrid's Election.

Ottawa, Dec. 6—Some surprise was caused here on Saturday by the filing of a protest against Sir Wilfrid Laurier. The filing of the petition will prevent the premier resigning until the case is settled, so there cannot be a bye-election until then. The possibility of Sir Wilfrid resigning in East Quebec is discussed.

One Protest in Saskatchewan.

Regina, Sask., Dec. 7—The election of J. G. Turiff, Liberal, in Assiniboia, has been protested on the usual grounds. Apparently this is the only Saskatchewan protest.