

Exclude Radials From Deal.

Premier Drury suggested as a means of breaking the deadlock that the lines of the Toronto and York Railways be either excluded from the deal altogether or be purchased by the county, but neither Sir Adam nor the Mayor acquiesced in the desirability of that situation.

Sir Adam and the Premier got into difficulties with each other on an occasion when the Premier, interrupting Sir Adam, asked: "Do you want this deal to go through or to be called off?" Sir Adam sat down and there was tense silence for a moment. Sir Adam protested at this interruption and remarked on the nerve-racking ordeals to which he had been subjected in connection with the deal. The Premier said that he was tired of being shouted at when he was trying to effect progress in connection with the deal.

"We no sooner get one point cleared up," Mr. Drury said, "than from other objection is raised. I like frank dealing."

Sir Adam Hits Back.

"Then as a public trustee," replied Sir Adam, "I have no answer to your question. When I fail in my duty as a trustee there's a remedy. I have been charged with dishonesty and saying what is untrue and I am beginning to believe there must be something in it. I have told you everything. I'm waiting for counsel's advice on titles and agreements."

Mr. Fleming—There is nothing standing in the way of the agreement being signed if the people on both sides will be reasonable.

Another exchange ensued in a repetition of discussion at the last conference over the alleged promise and undertaking of the railway to "clean up" Yonge street, which Sir Adam contended had not been done. Mr. Fleming reiterated that the company only undertook to turn over that to which they had a right.

Difference Over Radial Cost.

That led on to a rather acrimonious exchange between Sir Adam and Mr. Fleming over the value which the railways had been set at in relation to the total of the whole deal. Sir Adam maintained it was \$5,900,000, and Mr. Fleming that it was \$2,900,000.

Mr. Fleming assured the gathering that the company would keep the radials so long as the major portion of the deal was gone through with.

"The Government wants progress," said the Premier, "and we are going to get it, if it is necessary to take everybody by the neck." He announced the intention of holding another conference toward the close of the week.

FLATLY DENIES LENNOX CHARGE ABOUT "THUGS"

Attorney-General Gives North York Member Many Shrewd Thrusts

LAW SOCIETY TO ACT?

Addressing the Public Accounts Committee yesterday morning, Attorney-General Raney gave an "unqualified and emphatic denial" to the charges of T. H. Lennox, K.C., made in the House some weeks ago, to the effect that, with Mr. Raney's knowledge, the O.T.A. enforcement department had employed "thugs and criminals."

The Attorney-General, in a general statement to the committee, then proceeded to make absolute denial of the accuracy of the dozen or more charges which, however, for the most part, came under the general heading of the employment of disreputable characters. Concerning the allegation that, as Attorney-General, he had been associated with "men who would have been a disgrace to any community or any civilized country," Mr. Raney declared that reference must be taken to include Messrs. Flavelle, Dingman and Smith, than whom, he maintained, with emphasis, there were no more honorable men in the Province.

Lennox Refuses to Testify.

Although the motion of the committee as passed last week was for the hearing of both the Attorney-General and Mr. Lennox, the latter resolutely refused to submit to examination at this particular point in the proceedings. He maintained the position he took at previous committee meetings, that although he would eventually take the witness stand, he alone was to be the judge of when the opportune time had arrived. Both he and Hon. G. H. Ferguson argued that all the evidence was not in, Mr. Ferguson declaring that it was a new thing for the accused to dictate to the accuser as to when he should give his evidence.

Mr. Raney, in his statement, intimated that certain of Mr. Lennox's actions which he questioned would be brought to the attention of the Law Society. He stated that, in his opinion, it was a most serious breach of legal ethics for a lawyer to make public confidential information which he had received from a client.

Discussion of Legal Ethics.

Reference was made particularly to the case of H. H. McCutcheon, who had accused the North York member of "double-crossing" him, and Mr. Lennox, in that connection, pointed out McCutcheon's admission that he knew the information and the charges were to be launched in the House. The Attorney-General, however, did not think that covered the point, but the discussion of legal ethics was cut short by protests from W. E. N. Sinclair and W. F. Nickle, K.C., that a matter of interest to the Law Society should be argued before that body, and not before the Legislature's Committee on Public Accounts.

Another matter relating closely to the personal conduct of Mr. Lennox, which the Attorney-General brought out, and on which he laid great emphasis, was the fact that toward the end of the month of November Mr. Lennox had received two prescriptions, one from Dr. R. F. Preston, Carleton Place, and the other from Dr. Ball of Stouffville. One was for ale and the other for whiskey.