

FOUR EX-MINISTERS COMMITTED FOR TRIAL

Only Perfunctory Argument by Defence—Added Charges in a Few Days

(Special Despatch to The Globe.)
Winnipeg, Oct. 8.—Magistrate P. A. MacDonald to-day committed for trial the four ex-Ministers who have been charged with conspiracy to defraud the Province. Apparently the defence did not expect the charge against Sir Rodmond Roblin, W. H. Montague and George R. Coldwell to be dismissed, for only a perfunctory argument was made against their committal. A special plea was advanced in favor of Jas. H. Howden, but it seemed to have no weight with the Magistrate.

His Worship did not comment on the arguments, but simply said: "I commit the accused for trial." New bail was immediately arranged with Mr. Justice Metcalfe, who fixed it at \$25,000 and two sureties of \$12,500 for each of the accused. This is the amount that was fixed by Sir Hugh John Macdonald in the Police Court, and the same bondsmen went good for the new sureties.

None of the accused seemed surprised at being committed. They stood up when the Clerk asked them if they had anything to say, and replied in the negative. The proceedings lasted only a little more than half an hour and were of a formal character.

The additional charges which the Crown intends to lay against Sir Rodmond Roblin, Dr. Montague and J. H. Howden will be delayed for a few days. Against Sir Rodmond Roblin and Dr. Montague charges of destroying public documents will be preferred; against Mr. Howden a charge of perjury.

BULGARIANS TREATED AS ALIEN ENEMIES NOW

AS LITTLE TROUBLE EXPECTED FROM THOSE IN CANADA AS FROM AUSTRIANS.

Ottawa, Oct. 8.—Orders are being sent out to all registrars of **alien enemies**, the police who are acting as such, and the Royal Northwest Mounted Police in western Canada to treat the Bulgarians now as **alien enemies**. They will be registered like the Germans and Austrians, and those who are reservists or are likely to be troublesome will be interned.

There are about 25,000 Bulgarians in Canada. It is thought they are largely located in the cities, few having taken homesteads.

The necessary orders in Council declaring war with Bulgaria and placing the Bulgarians under the various orders in Council which apply to other **allens** will be passed at once. In the meantime also orders are being given to stop any Bulgarians from leaving the country. It is not anticipated there will be any trouble with the Bulgarians, as it is believed most of them in Canada are in sympathy with the allies. The experience of the officials after a year's dealing with the Austrians is that they have little sympathy with their homeland, and are anxious to obey Canadian laws and behave like Canadian citizens. The only **alien enemies** who have caused trouble are the Germans.

RECEPTION AND MUSICALE.

The musicale and reception to be given by the Local Council of Women to the Marquis and Marchioness of Aberdeen and Temair will be on Tuesday, October 19. Col. Sir Henry Pellatt and Lady Pellatt have kindly loaned their beautiful home, "Casa Loma," for this entertainment. Tickets on sale at Heintzman & Co., 195 Yonge street.

Prof. G. A. Johnston Ross, formerly of Edinburgh, Scotland, and now of the Union Theological Seminary, New York, will speak to a men's mass meeting at Bloor Street Baptist Church on Sunday, Oct. 10, at 3 p.m. Prof. Ross is one of New York's foremost speakers, and he will bring a message that every man ought to hear.