

STATION FOUNDED GUILTY OF MURDER

Former St. Marys Man Convicted At Winnipeg
TO BE SENTENCED LATER
Once Sentenced In This City For Forgery

WINNIPEG, Nov. 12.—Canadian Press Dispatch.—John Stanton, a former resident of St. Marys, Ont., was found guilty late this afternoon by a jury in assize court here of the murder of John Penny on December 12, 1922. The jury had been out for four hours. The trial lasted three days, during which the courtroom had been crowded by spectators, mostly women. Stanton will be sentenced at the conclusion of the assizes.

When the verdict was announced disorder reigned in the courtroom for some time. A woman shrieked: "I don't know why I should have called the entire burden!" He recovered quickly, shook hands with a friendly spectator and was led away.

STANTON was obviously not prepared for the verdict and shrank back to the prisoners' dock, exclaiming: "I don't know why I should have called the entire burden!" He recovered quickly, shook hands with a friendly spectator and was led away.

EXTRAORDINARY precautions were taken during the trial against a possible attempt to escape. Stanton figured in the recent break from the provincial jail, in which five prisoners made a getaway. He and another were recaptured several days later.

Penny, an aged man, was beaten about the head with a blunt instrument and some nails and money in his home on Young street. After a chase, extending through many provinces of Canada and to the United States, Stanton was located last spring at a prison farm in Virginia.

Stanton, on the stand yesterday, swore he had nothing to do with the killing. He admitted, however, that he was present in the Young street house on the night of the crime.

Stanton resided in this city at one time and is known to the local police. On June 17, 1917, he was arrested here, charged with false pretences and forgery to the amount of \$400. He was found guilty and sentenced on July 7 to 2 1/2 years in Kingston penitentiary.

**BIG PONTOON, ADRIFT
IN LAKE, RECOVERED**
First Salvage From Two Steel Scows Which Broke Away From Tug

GODERICH, Nov. 12.—The tug Forrest, en route from Parry Sound to Goderich, yesterday picked up a steel pontoon 50 feet by 5 feet, floating in the lake of Southampton. This is the first salvage from the two steel scows which broke away from the Great Lakes tug William G. Harbor Beach, some 10 days ago, and for which the Reid Wrecking Company has been searching and which steamers traversing Lake Huron have been warned to avoid.

The pontoon had been lashed to one of the scows and undoubtedly broke adrift with the wash of the seas. From its buoyant construction and the speed with which it would travel before the wind, it is quite probable that the scows may still be afloat northwest of Point Clark. The salvaged pontoon was turned over to the customs collector at Southampton for disposition.

**MAY ADOPT BUSES
AS TROLLEY FEEDERS**
Kitcheners Utilities Considering Cross-Town Service

KITCHENER, Nov. 12.—For some time past the Kitchener Public Utilities Commission has been investigating the motor bus problem with a view to putting on a few buses as auxiliaries to the present street railway system, which runs along the main street and does not provide a cross-town service. Kitchener has been growing steadily and a cross-town service is practically a necessity now.

The commission members are still gathering data and a motor car company has a bus for use in demonstration purposes. It would occasion little surprise locally if next year the local commission has buses running as feeders to the street railway system.

**CONFIRMS CLASS OF 17
AT ST. MARYS CHURCH**
ST. MARYS, Nov. 12.—The confirmation of 17 new members by the Rt. Rev. David Williams, D. D., Bishop of Huron, in St. James' Anglican Church last evening, marked the third exceptionally large class presented by the rector, Rev. A. E. Farney, since he came to St. Marys and to his high tribute to the splendid work being accomplished by Mr. Farney in this parish. The service was an especially notable one, and a large congregation was in attendance.

Defeated Members of The Government Attend Their Last Cabinet Conference

CONVICTED OF MURDER
Ministers Silent Following Meeting; Test of Strength Looked For In Coming By-Election In Bagot

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OTTAWA, Nov. 12.—The Cabinet council was in session this afternoon, the notable feature being that it was the last meeting to be attended by the ministers, who, following defeat, have resigned. Those retiring are Messrs. Low, Murdoch, Gordon, Marler, Massey and Sinclair. For Rt. Hon. George P. Graham, as well as for the prime minister, a seat is to be sought. No announcement was forthcoming at the close, but it is believed that the Bagot by-election was considered and as soon as possible the writ will be issued. This will be necessary if the newly elected member is to be in the House at the opening. The conditions all suggest the urgency of a complete House.

Although in some quarters doubt has been cast upon the possibility of the retiring members to complete as to permit Parliament to assemble on December 10, the election bureau thinks it will be possible. The Yukon return will be received by the House on Saturday, the opening date is not the 10th it is considered certain that in any event it will be before Christmas, the desire being to have the return before the inevitable adjournment.

Meanwhile there will be little but speculation, although the Bagot by-election will be contested and will be a test of feeling in Quebec in the light of the new and aggravated political situation.

CONSERVATIVES HOPEFUL.
The Government will depend upon Progressives or Independents. As the Conservatives have 117 seats they must win six others in order to reverse the ministry with a technical majority of one. They profess confidence in being able to do this, while Liberals expect the essential support, having regard to the prominence of the protection issue. There will really be no way of accurately forecasting the situation or its probable outcome until Parliament gets here. A successful period of suspense will intervene.

The presumption is that the re-election of Hon. Rodolphe Lemieux, which he has proposed, is doubted if this will be seized as the occasion for a test vote, although the election of a presiding officer, now proposed by the Government, would, ipso facto, be a vote of confidence. It would not preclude a subsequent challenge to supremacy. If the Government be sustained, a deputy speaker would later be appointed and among those mentioned is J. F. Johnston, M. P.-elect for the Saskatchewan constituency of Long Lake.

Indications now point to little but marking time till the House meets, except such diversion as the Bagot by-election will afford. The deceased member, Joseph Marler, had 700 majority last month. Conservatives will probably nominate Hon. Andre Fauteux, for a short time solicitor-general in the Meighen Cabinet. He was defeated there last month.

Liberals are somewhat perturbed over murmurs from various quarters concerning the leadership of the party. Members who opposed an election this fall and others dissatisfied with the proposed result are not lacking in criticism of the tactics, and Quebec shares in some degree. One else, however, is in sight, and while the conditions are neither satisfactory nor inspiring, a change is not likely.

**LEAVES BEQUESTS TO
FOUR PUBLIC BODIES**
Church, Y. M. C. A., Etc., Benefit By Will of Late T. H. Preston

BRANTFORD, Nov. 12.—It was made known yesterday that the will of the late T. H. Preston provides for bequests to four public bodies. The Y. M. C. A., Brantford; the Children's Aid and the Women's Hospital Aid, Commission of the Harold Ward, Brantford; and the local Collegiate was also provided.

**Jury Disagrees In Trial Of
Dr. Blazer; Prisoner Released**
Prosecutor Decides Against Second Trial For Physician Who Killed His Paralytic Daughter

LITTLETON, Colo., Nov. 12.—(Associated Press Dispatch.)—With the legal status of "murder for love" undetermined, Dr. Harold Elmer Blazer tonight stood free of the charge of murdering his 14-year-old daughter, Hazel, the "human husk."

Less than an hour after a jury failed to agree on a verdict the legal stigma of a murderer was removed when Judge Samuel Johnson granted a motion of dismissal by Prosecuting Attorney Joel E. Stone. The jury was out less than 1 1/2 hours.

The defendant received the decision with comparative calm. "The jury should have acquitted me, but this last move is equivalent of acquittal," he said. "I do not wish to persecute anyone." Stone said in making his motion for dismissal. "I don't believe this jury or any other one we might obtain could arrive at a verdict, and in fairness to the defendant and the state, I move all charges be dropped and the defendant be set free."

Mrs. Franca Blazer, daughter of the physician, was not in the courtroom when the jury was dismissed. "Oh, they should have acquitted him; they should have acquitted him," she told the man who carried the news to her in the corridor outside. She then rushed in to talk to her father, who was talking with the judge. She is a sister of Dr. Blazer's, who was a member of his council staff, when Stone's motion was granted. He left soon afterward, declining to make any statement beyond that he was going to "Cumbres, Colo., to operate my sawmill there" and "live an outdoor life, which I believe will benefit my health." He smiled broadly as he talked and appeared to be relieved of the strain he had been under during the last eight days of the trial.

"This has been a victory for humanity; for humanity was on trial, side by side with Dr. Blazer," Lewis

RECOVER GOODS OF LONDONERS

Articles Stolen From Grand Bend Cottages Found
ACCUSED MAN REMANDED
Former Cromarty Minister Inducted At Sarnia

SARNIA, Nov. 12.—Angus Norwood, Enniskillen Township, who was arrested on suspicion of theft following the location of the goods stolen from summer cottages along the St. Clair River and Lake Huron, was further remanded to-day for a week. An application for bail was granted in the sum of \$4,000.

When officers visited his home with a liquor search warrant articles resembling some reported missing were observed and a further investigation resulted in the location of the array of goods now stored in the provincial police office on Front street. The goods identified to date include a rug taken from the summer home of W. T. Goodson, federal member-elect for West Lambton, at Lake Huron Beach; tools owned by H. A. Nisbet, Sarnia Beach; umbrella, the property of H. B. Blair, of London; a hat taken from the summer home of John Cowan.

Some of the goods still awaiting claimants include blankets, auto tires, shoes, auto batteries, tables, wicker chairs, clothing, such as shirts, bathing suits, etc., mattress and tennis rackets. The London owned property was taken from cottages at Grand Bend and the area in which the pilfering took place seems to extend all the way from Corunna to Grand Bend. Some of the articles were said to have been missing for a year.

NEW MINISTER INDUCTED
Induction services were held at the Presbyterian church this evening for Rev. David Ritchie, formerly of Cromarty. The service was conducted by Rev. J. J. Patterson, Rev. J. J. Mondy, Rev. Mr. Hemphill and Rev. Mr. Sinclair, all of the local congregation.

CONSERVATIVES READY
The West Lambton Conservative organization is to be kept intact for the next federal election, which is expected to be held in the latter part of the year. In the ranks of the Conservative workers here there is only enthusiasm and a desire to "go to it" when the time comes. Last night the rank and file of the party honored N. L. Crompton, the local campaign manager, at a smoker in the lounge room of the Chamber of Commerce and presented him with a brace of pipes and humidor of tobacco. The presentation address was read by Robert Keay and the gift was tendered Mr. Leussler by W. F. Crompton.

Speakers included P. R. Bray, Point Edward, James F. Cox, R. E. Leussler and others. In his reply Mr. Leussler lauded the staff of workers who had been associated with him in the recent campaign.

RAILWAY PROBE CLEARS MANAGER

Secretary Says Manager's Reports Checked Correctly
Over 100 Tokens Alleged Missing From One Fare Box

ST. THOMAS, Nov. 12.—Further evidence taken in the probe into alleged shortages in the funds of the St. Thomas Street Railway virtually exonerates Manager Charles Johns. Suspicion of irregularities was cast upon car operators, who were responsible for the probe, have been cleared up by the investigating committee, all excepting one charge, that of the alleged disappearance of over 100 tokens from a box used on the P. M. R. run. Manager Johns will be given an opportunity to give his version of this at another session, to be held within a few days.

An outstanding feature of the probe was that it was responsible for it are loath to press the charges. Most of the car operators who have testified admit having played "private detective" on their "boss" marking envelopes in which tokens were placed in an effort to verify their suspicions. Car operators gave evidence which led the committee to believe these envelopes had been disappearing at the rate of eight or 10 a day, but this was not borne out in the evidence of Miss Jean Dewar, point where a single juror was holding out to convict.

Prosecutor Stone saw in the action of the juror a victory "for law and order."

"These men as a body declined to put the stamp of approval on this sort of crime," he declared, "and the Colorado would countenance these types of killings, and it will serve as a warning in the future," he declared. "I moved for a dismissal of charges because I do not believe any jury could agree on a verdict and because I believe the people's will has been accomplished without the further expenditure of their money for another trial."

JUDGE'S VIEW
The educational value of the Blazer trial will be of "immense importance" in the opinion of Judge Johnson, who presided over the case.

"Through the newspapers, phases of human life problems were brought to a millions of readers and undoubtedly the trial will be extremely instructive. "The idea of the survival of the fittest, the human race developed during the trial of this aged physician, accused of slaying his malformed and imbecile child, has raised a question of paramount interest to the medical and legal professions. This phase probably will be incorporated into professional discussions and I would not be surprised to see the Blazer trial developed into a subject of research and study."

"But, although Dr. Blazer has been cleared of the murder accusation, I believe that the trial will impress upon the public that the taking of human life should not be justified under even extraordinary conditions, like this case. The trial brought out with sufficient impression the crime of taking life. "The trial raised the question of the validity of riding the world of its population of imbeciles and insane by the physical side of the human race, but I seriously believe it would be detrimental to the betterment of mankind. The destruction of the virtues of love, mercy and kindness by such a practice would be extremely harmful."

Judge Johnson declared he believed Dr. Blazer was insane on the day of the murder.

BAD WEATHER AGAIN HALTS THRESHING IN THE CANADIAN WEST

WINNIPEG, Nov. 12.—Snow and sleet in many sections of the West to-night is again suspending threshing just when it was getting into full swing. Deliveries must accordingly vanish for the present. Millers of United Kingdom, United States and Canada are displaying great anxiety to acquire the November option, while the public is again getting into a critical market in their rush for the May future. It was the late future that got the lamb into the slaughter house last spring and old dealers say they have learned nothing by their disastrous finish.

THREE RECEIVE YEAR SENTENCES

Convictions Sequel To Attempted Robbery Near Galt
FOURTH MAN IS FREED
Two Residents of Galt Called Suddenly By Death

GALT, Nov. 12.—The police court was packed to the doors to-day for the trial of a Hamilton trio in connection with the attempted robbery a week ago this morning of the Highway Garage. James Mills, of Jerseyville, arrested on the spot by Constable John Man, who disarmed the prisoner of two guns, was convicted of being armed at night and was given a year in the Ontario reformatory. The others charges against him of having burglar's tools and of attempted robbery were dropped.

In the case of Andrew Clark and Frank Nash, of Hamilton, charged with the theft of William Patrick's car in making their escape, and of attempting robbery, N. Kay, Hamilton solicitor, tried hard to disqualify the confessions of the pair, made to Hamilton detectives who arrested them, but Clark having made similar admissions to Chief Gorman, they were found guilty.

TRIAL ON DECEMBER 2
CALEDONIA, Nov. 12.—December 2 has been set as the date for the adjourned trial of Elwood Hoffman, stock salesman, of Toronto, on a charge of obtaining money on false pretences in connection with a sale of stock in the Beaver Truck Company, of Hamilton, now insolvent. He will appear before Judge Hopkins at Cayuga.

LIBERALS HOLD SECRET MEETING

Reported East Lambton Workers Planning For New Vote
PETROLIA, Nov. 12.—East Lambton Liberals have not put away the war paint as yet, for they gathered in special session at Alvinston on Thanksgiving Day and excluded reporters. Dame Rumor has it that they are arranging for a candidate in the next election, which appears to be not far distant. This report seems to be well grounded, but the Liberals are neither supporting nor denying this claim.

Petrolia's reeve, Arnold E. Shaumnessy, who is vice-president of the East Lambton Liberals and a nominee in the recent contest, when questioned by The Free Press, refused to divulge anything which might give a clue to the "mystery." However, he did enlighten his interrogator to the extent that "there will be something doing within the next six weeks or two months."

The conclusion to be drawn from this would seem to be that they are warming up for the fray, which they admit themselves to be creeping closer. The Progressives, it is understood in local political circles, are arranging for a conference of their executive in the near future, while the Conservatives are keeping their organization well intact for any emergency.

INGERSOLL IS SHORT OF ANTHRACITE COAL

INGERSOLL, Nov. 12.—Local coal dealers are in line with those of other places as regards the shortage of anthracite coals. One car came in a while ago and the dealer had considerable difficulty in dealing it out. His judgment was questioned all the way through save by those who got some. There are all kinds of substitutes on hand.

PLAN TO PROTECT DANGEROUS TURN

Highways Department To Place Reflector At Bridge
CLAIMS RADIAL PROFITABLE
Applied Christianity World's Need, Says Speaker

BRANTFORD, Nov. 12.—A road menace which for many months has been very threatening—as many as five wrecks in one night being recorded—is to be ended by the provincial department of highways. It will erect a large reflector at the Brantford end of the overhead crossing of the C. N. R. tracks on the main provincial highway. There is a dangerous double half-angle turn. A large checkerboard gives warning of the first, but the second is a blind end without warning and with a radiating and practical Christianity. The Canadians overseas had carried Canadians at home now could do no less, and they should remember this when discouraged.

CHRISTIANITY NEEDED
INGERSOLL, Nov. 12.—The local signalling corps has been placed a full strength for the first time since its inception, and now has a waiting list for enlistment. Rapid progress has been made in all the signalling departments, and Gen. King has expressed his pleasure in that regard. Some new equipment is soon to be placed in the local armories for their use.

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N. HURON RESULT DEPENDS ON BALLOTS IN DISPUTE

Judge To Decide If Failure To Remove Counterfoils Invalidates Ballots
Special To The Free Press.
GODERICH, Nov. 12.—On the decision regarding ballots from which the counterfoils had not been detached will depend the result of the North Huron federal election. In the vote on October 29 John W. King, Progressive, was, according to two days' illness. These polls gave Mr. King a majority of about 200, so that if these are thrown out Mr. Spotton's election is assured. Argument of counsel will be heard in this by Judge Lewis to-morrow.

Mr. Spotton is being represented by Dudley Holmes, of Wingham, while R. Vanstone, of Wingham, is appearing for Mr. King. In a recount on Wednesday of the ballots in the Laurier-Outremont (Montreal) election, 33 ballots from which the counterfoils had not been removed were rejected by the judge, who held this mistake on the part of the D. R. O. invalidated the ballot.

On both charges and sentenced to a year on each, sentences to run concurrently. R. Brice, of Jerseyville, arrested with Nash and Clark in Hamilton on a charge of vagrancy, was freed to-day. He was a witness for the crown. **DIES SUDDENLY.** Mrs. Herbert Keachie, aged 42, of 89 McNaughton street, died suddenly this morning at the hospital after only two days' illness. She was born in Beverly Township, where she had lived until a year ago, when the family came to Galt. Her husband, two sons and four daughters survive.

WILLIAM WHITE, sr., of Oak street, dropped dead this afternoon at his residence. He had been in failing health for some time.

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