

REVELATION OF UNSAVORY KIND

President of Montreal Gas Company Tells How Patronage Was Obtained From Laurier Government

OTTAWA, March 22.—The blockers' bright came into action this morning when the house met. Mr. Carvell endeavored by threats to prevent the investigation of highly suspicious transactions which recently came to light. About a week ago, in the course of proceedings before the court of justice in Montreal, the president of the Diamond Light and Gas company swore that in the last four years his company had not \$100,000 of business from the Dominion government and had been obliged to pay \$41,000 to secure this business to agents whom he refused to name.

This morning with the meeting of the public accounts committee it was proposed to investigate this matter. The necessary motion being referred to the committee of the house by the auditor general's representatives for five years back. Mr. Middlebrooke made a motion as soon as the house met. Mr. Carvell at once opposed this. His point was that it would be difficult to develop it in time likely to elapse before prorogation. In doing this he adopted a most truculent tone. The house decided to proceed before Easter. It would not prorogue then if the Conservatives wanted matters investigated.

Mr. Borden said that Mr. Carvell had taken a remarkable way to obtain his end. They would stay in Ottawa as long as it was necessary to transact the public business and they would not be deterred by the calls of holding up prorogation. After some further debate Sir W. Laurier urged that the matter stand over until the next sitting. Mr. Borden agreed and the matter dropped. The Bank act was taken up in committee. Mr. Lemieux said that the sentiment existed in favor of bank inspection.

SLEEP WALKER'S FATE

Vancouver Lady Nearly Killed Through Sleeping Off Breakfast Passenger Train

CALGARY, March 22.—Suffering from a fractured left arm and a dislocated hip, sustained in falling from the steps of an eastbound passenger train at Glenbow, 13 miles west of Calgary on Thursday night, Miss Ethel Uppoff, of Vancouver, was brought to the Calgary general hospital today and as she is probably internally injured it is doubtful whether she will recover. Miss Uppoff was traveling from Vancouver to Winnipeg with her sister Nellie, and it is thought she stepped off while walking in her sleep. She was clad only in her night gown and fell down an embankment 30 feet high when the train stopped. She was discovered in an unconscious condition in a little used pump house six yards from the scene of the accident by section men, at about 7 o'clock this morning.

PREDESTINED TO CRIME

French Doctor's Interesting Theory on Psychology of Murder

PARIS, March 21.—A tall, strongly-built man, with a long and broad head, is more predestined to crime than other people if he is not in comfortable circumstances. Such is the theory of which Doctor Marie, of Villejuif, the chief physician of the asile de la Seine, and his assistant, Doctor Macauliffe, have arrived, after careful study of the distinctive features of 200 murderers of French nationality. One hundred and five of these unhappy men were decidedly tall, 48 were about middle weight, and only 46 were of short stature.

According to these savants, murderers have not grown in harmonious proportions. They have undergone a general dilatation, bearing on every part of the body except the bust, which has developed in a transversal and not in a longitudinal direction. Murderers, as a matter of fact, usually belong to the muscular and the digestive types. So "It is natural enough that they should be recruited among the large appetites served by double muscles." As a man killed chiefly to obtain food, it is natural that this instinct should predominate among large eaters. Of course, this remark does not apply to strong men blessed with hearty appetites, as a class, since a well trained athlete is a credit to the race, but a badly brought up and ill-fed athlete will be found, not in sporting competitions, but in a corner of a wood or a street bent on mischief. "He is," these savants conclude, "the shame, the terror of his brethren. Nature means him to be noble and fine. He now incarnates the negation of nature, and that blasphemy against the original origin—the fratricide, the parricide, the murderer." So, as may be remarked, if there is any real foundation for this startling theory, it is in the interest of a community to feed up poor lads who evince an abnormal disposition to grow very big and strong, as if they are left to rough it they may develop murderous instincts. These two authorities, by the way, dispute the latter general idea that murderers have large hands, as they declare that while the space between the thumb and the shoulder is often unusually broad, the arms are not of exaggerated

CRITICISES RUSSIA'S ACTIONS IN PERSIA

LONDON, March 21.—Maxim Gorki, the celebrated Russian writer, has sent the following letter to Mr. Frederick Whelan, honorable secretary of the Persia committee, on the action of Russia in Persia: "I am of the opinion that the actions of the Russian government in Persia are nationally harmful to the Russian people, and apart from that, that they are injurious to the interests of European civilization."

ALL-NIGHT SPEECH

And Then Audience Carries Vote of "No Confidence" in Speaker Unanimously

HOBBART, Tasmania, March 22.—During the present election campaign Mr. Earl, the leader of the Opposition, addressing a meeting in a country town met with a vote of "No confidence." Mr. Earl declared that he would avail himself of the rules of debate, and he continued to talk throughout the night. A large portion of the audience slept when at five o'clock in the morning the speaker said that the meeting could do as it liked. The motion was then put and was carried unanimously.

YUKON ELECTIONS

Governor Black is to Announce Date Shortly

DAWSON, Y.T., March 22.—George Black, the new governor of the Yukon, and Mrs. Black, who arrived yesterday from their recent home in Vancouver had a most successful trip, the temperature being barely below freezing all the way. Scores of rigs and hundreds of people drove up the road to meet the party. Governor Black assumed duty today relieving the acting governor, Major Horgan, of the Northwest Mounted Police, who highly praised everyone for their efficient work.

JUSTICE TO IRELAND

Sir Arthur Conan Doyle Says Self-Government Should Be National, Not Party Gift

LONDON, March 22.—Speaking of the dinner of the Liberal Colonial Club at which he presided last night, Sir Arthur Conan Doyle made an appeal for justice to Ireland. "If England," he said, "in a good cause drew her sword, then they knew the swords of fifty allied colonies and dependencies would spring from their sheaths. Only one would be wanting, and that not the least sharp or heavy. The sword of Ireland would remain silent by its side. We cannot allow that. We want the gallant race upon our side. It would be a great thing if the gift of national self-government could have come from England to Ireland, not from an English party to Ireland. It is a pity the measure could not be unanimous, but that was not to be, and we must stir up our hearts for a long fight, but if we fight patiently with the weapons of logic and charity we surely will win."

HOLD-UP AVERTED

Men Arrested on Burlington Train After Struggle With Crew

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., March 22.—Two men who had terrorized passengers on a Burlington train from Kansas City were arrested by Police Officers Berenbog and O'Brien after a battle in length, and the size of the hands is equally moderate.

MR. HARRIS TO MAKE SOUNDINGS

Preliminary to the Preparation of Plans and Specifications for Victoria's Modern Breakwater

Mr. D. R. Harris, C. E., will tomorrow morning begin the work of making soundings for the preparation of plans and specifications on which tenders will be invited for the construction of the Ogden point breakwater, the first work of the extensive outer harbor improvements to be provided to equip the port of Victoria to handle the great steamship traffic, which will be enjoyed by this port a few years hence, when the Panama canal is completed with the resultant revolution of ocean trade in the North Pacific. Mr. C. G. Worsfold, of the department of public works of the Dominion government, yesterday appointed the well known local civil engineer to make the soundings and if the weather permits—Mr. Harris will run his lines from Ogden point in confirmation with the plan drawn by Mr. Louis Coste, M. L. C. B., for 2,500 feet, in a westerly direction, and will make the necessary soundings from a small boat along these lines.

CANADA'S CHAMPION CAUSES COMMENT

All Round Swimming Expert, George Hodgson, Teaches Americans New Stunts

NEW YORK, March 22.—The recent visit of George Hodgson, Canada's all round swimming champion to this country may have some influence over the future of the art here. It has started a controversy in regard to the stroke best adapted to distance work. Hodgson uses the treadle for all but the short sprints, and it was with this stroke that he covered the furlong at the City Athletic club in the fast time of 2:18 1/2. His style smoothes most of the characteristics of the modern crawl, but the scissor kick which he performs is distinctly of the tradition, as is the smooth, long glide which keeps him moving between the strokes. Hodgson's arms drive hard in quick succession, the kick hitting it at the completion of the upper arm's pull through, and by the combined effort he shoots forward, gliding rapidly without propulsion, while his arms recover in limp relaxation. His recovery is so easy, in fact that it does not seem to stop his progress at all, although he is applying his joints by at a time to offset the negative movements.

Several of the leading coaches who studied closely the Canadian's methods were impressed. The practice obtains here of teaching to distance swimmers a fast, mechanical arm drive on which very little power is expended, speed being attained through the rapidity of the movements rather than from their strength.

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SEIGE OF OUTLAWS

Band Responsible for Court House Assassination on Eve of Being Captured

MOUNT AIRY, N. C., March 22.—Three more members of the Allen clan, Claude Swanson, brother of Floyd, Friel Allen, son of James and Wesley Edwards, were located by the deacons of Mount Airy, in their children. They are already surrounded, and it is practically certain, it is predicted they will not be taken without bloodshed. The outlaws were located late today, word was sent here and reinforcements asked for by the posse. Immediately the sheriff of Curry county, with his deputies, a dozen detectives and several citizens volunteered to start up into the hills. They will work their way to the south of the place where the fugitives are hiding. On the north the outlaws are confronted by a hundred men, the sheriff and his deputies, and volunteers, deputy sheriffs and volunteers working from the Hillsville end. When the Mount Airy squad arrives on the south the officers will surround the hiding place and try to cut off the escape of the outlaws. Sida Allen, leader of the band, is supposed to be hiding on Sugar Leaf Mountain, five miles away from where the Edwards boy and the other two Allens are said to have been located.

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OTTAWA, Ont., March 22.—Mr. Cochrane tonight gave a remarkably good example of how few words he can use to say real things. On a motion to go into supply tonight at 7:15 o'clock Mr. Emmerson rose to plead the case of intercolonial employees who have been dismissed for partisanship. His request was that they should be given a refund of the sums they have paid into the "provident funds of the railway." Before 6 o'clock he had spoken of the matter to Mr. Cochrane. He now brought it in the house and talked for fully three-quarters of an hour on it. He explained he argued the plea, he stormed, he repeated himself, he took three-quarters of an hour to do it all. When he had finished, Mr. Cochrane rose and said: "Mr. Speaker, I said before dinner that it is my intention that these men shall get their money."

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