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M'GUIGAN'S RETIREMENT WILL NOT AFFECT NEGOTIATIONS

City and Grand Trunk to Get Together Again at an Early Date—Cut West of City Gives Trouble.

Ex-Manager McGuihan, of the Grand Trunk Railway, who resigned to become manager of the Great Northern, owned by the famous "Jim" Hill, passed through London yesterday on his way to the west. He arrived on a special at 12:45.

Mr. McGuihan was met by Mayor Judd, ex-Mayor J. W. Little and all the local officials of the Grand Trunk Railway. Messrs. Judd and Little met Mr. McGuihan by invitation from that gentleman, who informed them that he would be passing through London at 12:45 and that he would be pleased to say good-bye to them. He was not over three minutes in London, but while here he found time to shake hands with everybody he knew on the platform.

Will Get Together.
Mr. McGuihan had but little to say of any negotiations with the city, other than that there is no room to doubt that the city and the company will get together shortly, and that track elevation will be proceeded with just as though he had retained the management of the Grand Trunk.

As to the mooted changes in the local offices of the company, Mr. McGuihan intimated that nothing would be done until Mr. Hays arrives from England.

Mr. McGuihan was accompanied by Superintendent Brownlee, who, it is understood, will succeed him in the position of manager; Cy Warman, the well-known local writer; Ross McGuihan, his private secretary, who goes with him to the Great Northern, and F. W. Egan, of the Chicago and Grand Trunk, Detroit.

Negotiations Will Proceed.
At the city hall it is felt that Mr. McGuihan's departure will not materially affect the negotiations with the Grand Trunk. The belief is expressed that the work of elevating the line will be commenced this summer, even though it will be impossible to complete it.

One reason why the company has not been able to meet the city at once is the fact that the huge cut west of the city is giving the Grand Trunk no end of trouble.

Several times this winter huge caved

ins have occurred, which completely filled the cut, and covered the rails for quite a distance.

Friday last another slide occurred, with the result that the rails and ties for a considerable distance were completely hidden from sight. It took a large gang of men many hours to dig a trench through the sand and clay to allow trains to pass.

Slide at Cut.
On the south side of the cut a false track left by the construction gangs has been completely buried. On the north side hundreds of yards of rails and ties were put out of sight. These latter were also covered by a false line put in by the construction gangs.

The result is that trains crawl along at a snail's pace, for fear of shaking down the mountains of earth, which, now that the frost is all out of the ground, are becoming very treacherous.

It is said that it will yet cost the Grand Trunk \$100,000 to cut the gulch several yards wider on either side so as to prevent the earth, when it slips from the side, covering the tracks.

Until this work is done, it is said the company is not anxious to touch track elevation in London. In fact, the job west of the city appears to have proven a much larger one than the company anticipated.

J. J. Hill Here.

It was not known until yesterday that two weeks ago J. J. Hill accompanied Mr. McGuihan on a trip of inspection through the cut. Mr. Hill's visit was kept a secret, because he did not care to be interviewed by the press, and he wanted to have a look at the cut, which is regarded by railway men to be the most stupendous of any work attempted in Canada or the United States for many years.

It is said that "Jim" Hill has patted himself on the back every hour since he induced Mr. McGuihan to take hold of the management of the Great Northern.

Waiting for Hays.
At the city hall it is said that as soon as Mr. Hays arrives in Canada there will be something doing in regard to track elevation in London. Within a few weeks the cut west of the city will be so improved that it will make no more serious trouble for the company, and the large gangs of men which have been tied up on the job will be free to go ahead with track elevation in this city.

FOLLOWS SWETTENHAM

Sydney Oliver Appointed the New Governor of Jamaica.

London, March 31.—King Edward has approved the appointment of Sydney Oliver to be governor of Jamaica to succeed Sir Alexander Swettenham, who recently resigned the office, giving as the reason his advanced years.

HAS NOT CANCELED TRIP

Sir Frederick Borden to Attend Colonial Conference With Premier.

[Special to The Advertiser.]
Ottawa, April 1.—The report that Sir Frederick Borden has canceled his arrangements to go to the colonial conference is incorrect. He will sail from Halifax on April 6, going by the Empress of Britain along with Sir Wilfrid Laurier and Mr. Brodeur.

BRUTAL HUSBAND IS HEAVILY FINED

Isaac Groat Shamefully Abused Wife, But Not for the First Time.

Isaac Groat, colored, who resides in the south end of the city, appeared before Magistrate Love at the police court this morning on a charge of assaulting his wife. He was fined \$20, or two months in jail, in addition to being bound over to keep the peace for one year.

Groat pleaded guilty. He had kicked and punched his wife in a very brutal manner.

When passing sentence, the magistrate reminded Groat of the fact that he had been convicted of assault on several previous occasions, and that if he did not mend his ways a long term of imprisonment was in store for him. James Wilson appeared on an old charge of non-support, but the case was adjourned until Tuesday next.

The case of Sarah Ferguson, charged with assaulting Charlotte Burch, was adjourned.

Last night Sergt. Monaghan made a raid on an alleged disorderly house on Richmond street north, and arrested Agnes Thomas, Louise Radcliffe, Douglas Stratton and Robert Platt, who were found in the house at the time.

All four appeared in court today. Agnes Thomas, who was charged with being the keeper of the place, was bailed in the sum of \$100 to appear on Tuesday. Louise Radcliffe, charged with being an inmate, was also bailed in the sum of \$100 to appear at the same time, as were Douglas Stratton and Robert Platt, who were charged with being frequenters of the house.

John McKenzie appeared on a charge of stealing a bicycle, and was remanded for a day.

HEAD OF LABOR BUREAU IS NAMED

It is reported on good authority that Mr. Andrew Ellis has been chosen to take charge of the labor bureau shortly to be established in this city by the Ontario Government.

Mr. Ellis has not yet received his appointment, but it is understood that it is forthcoming, and that the head of the labor bureau at Toronto will shortly come to London to instruct Mr. Ellis in his duties.

Mr. Ellis is a well-known citizen and his appointment will be a source of pleasure to his friends.

SPEAKER ST. JOHN NEAR DEATH IS NOT EXPECTED TO RECOVER

HON. MR. EMMERSON TO TAKE ACTION

Reported He Will Sue the Frederick Gleaner for Libelous Statement.

Ottawa, March 31.—Much speculation prevails here as to the course events will take next Wednesday, when Mr. Bourassa proposes his resolution that Mr. Fowler make a statement in the House on Tuesday.

Mr. Fowler is identified with the Gleaner which recently published, it is alleged, a charge of immorality against the Minister of Railways.

Fowler to Sue.
St. John, N. B., March 31.—Mr. George W. Fowler, M. P., passed through St. John on Saturday, on his way to Montreal and Ottawa.

Mr. Fowler said that when he reached Montreal he would begin suit against the Montreal Star for libel, on account of an article concerning him, which appeared in that journal a few days ago. He added that he had heard nothing yet of any suit against the Frederick Gleaner or its editor.



Photo by Cooper & Sanders.

LATE SERGT.-MAJOR ADAMS.

UNEXPECTED DEATH OF POLICE OFFICER

Sergeant-Major Adams Expires After Short Illness—One of Oldest Members of Force.

Sergt.-Major Robert Adams, one of the oldest and most highly esteemed members of the local police force, died very unexpectedly about half-past 10 o'clock on Saturday night.

Sergt.-Major Adams was apparently in the best of health at noon, and after eating a hearty dinner, undertook some work in the garden, but shortly afterward he returned to the house, remarking that he could not do any more that day. He sat down in a chair to rest, complaining of a pain in the region of the heart, and appearing to be very ill. Doctors Lindsay and Bateson were summoned, and the patient began to recover gradually, until at 5 o'clock he was quite cheerful, and the doctors left, thinking that his recovery was certain. From that time until about 10 o'clock he rested quietly, but about 10:30 he had another attack, which proved fatal before medical aid could be summoned. An affection of the heart was the cause.

The late Sergt.-Major Adams was the second oldest member of the local police force, having spent 31 years in the service, while Detective William Rider was his senior, with a record of 32 years. He was 61 years of age, and was born near Belfast, Ireland, coming to America when 25 years of age. After engaging in various occupations in several different cities, he came to London in 1876, and joined the police force. From the very first he was known as a capable and faithful officer, and in 1887 was appointed sergeant-major, which position he filled since with the greatest satisfaction. He was regarded by his chief as one of the most trustworthy of officers.

Among the members of the force, Sergt.-Major Adams was very popular, because, although a strict disciplinarian, he was always kind and considerate, and would do all in his power to make the work agreeable for those under him. His quiet, unassuming nature also won for him many friends among the citizens, who with their death with deep regret. He took the greatest interest in religious work, and was an active member of the Colborne Street Methodist Church, and for many years a trustee of that church. Eighteen years ago he was instrumental in forming the Christian Police Association, and ever since had been the means of keeping it together. Major Adams was present at the anniversary of the association held in the Y. M. C. A. last Thursday evening, and took a great interest in the proceedings.

Besides his wife, one daughter, two sons, one sister, and three brothers, survive. The surviving sons are T. H. Adams, of Cincinnati, and Edward, at home. The daughter is also at home. William Adams, another son, enlisted in the Royal Canadian Regiment, but died in South Africa during the campaign. The surviving brothers are James, George, and John. The city of Ottawa, of Toronto, and William Adams, of Belfast, Ireland.

The funeral will be conducted on Tuesday afternoon from the family residence, 847 Dundas street, to Woodland Cemetery. Rev. Dr. Daniel, of the Colborne Street Methodist Church, will conduct the services.

THE WEATHER.

TOMORROW—FAIR AND MILD.

FORECASTS.

Monday, April 1—8 a.m.

Today—Fresh to strong northerly to easterly winds; fair and a little milder.

Tuesday—Fair and a little milder.

TEMPERATURES.

Stations. 8 a.m. Min. Weather.

Calgary 26 24 Fair

Port Arthur 4 0 Fair

Toronto 10 0 Fair

Ottawa 16 16 Fair

Montreal 24 22 Fair

Quebec 24 24 Cloudy

Father Point 24 23 Cloudy

The first column in the above table records the temperatures at 8 o'clock this morning, while the second column records the minimum temperatures during the 24 hours previous.

WEATHER NOTES.

The western cold wave has moved across Ontario and Quebec, and fair weather is general throughout the Dominion. The weather is quite unsettled along the Atlantic coast.

Detroit, March 31.—Lower Michigan: Monday and Tuesday—Generally fair, with rising temperatures; east to southeast winds, increasing Monday night.

PAINTERS ARE OUT ON STRIKE 75 PER CENT. OF THEM QUIT WORK

Nearly Every Union Man Lays Down His Brush—Bosses Ready to Compromise.

The threatened strike of the painters of London took place today, when a large number of the men quit work pending a settlement of their demands for more money. They have been receiving 25 cents an hour, and they have asked for 30 cents.

It is said that 75 per cent. of the painters went on strike to enforce their claims. The other 25 per cent. remained at work as usual.

The master painters appear determined to fight, rather than pay the wages asked, and while ready to compromise, claim that they have nothing to fear from the men. The latter, on the other hand, claim they can tie up the bosses if they do not give in, so that no work can be proceeded with.

At a meeting held today the employers decided to offer the men 27½ cents an hour, this wage to be paid only to such men as are deemed by the employers to be worth the money.

This, it is understood, the painters have refused to accept. It is said they might consider the compromise if the wage named was paid to every man who is a member of the Painters' Union.

The men declare that in asking for a 30-cent-an-hour rate they are not setting a maximum wage. They claim that the cost of living has so greatly increased within the last few years that 20 cents an hour now is no better than 20 cents an hour five years ago. Thirty cents an hour, they think, should be the minimum wage.

It is said that nearly every union man in the city quit work today, those remaining in not being members of the local union. Efforts are being made to induce these men to join the strikers, but some of the firms employing the non-unionists claim that their employees cannot be induced to quit, inasmuch as many of them have received for some time wages as high as the union is now asking.

It is understood that the members of the local Bricklayers' Union and Bricklayers' Laborers' Union have invited the employers to a conference in the Knights of Pythias Hall on Friday night next, when the wage question will be discussed.

The employers say they do not believe there will be any trouble.

The men have set the 1st of May as the time when the increased wages they ask for must go into effect.

UP GOES THE CITY'S RATE OF DISCOUNT

Bank Raises It From Four and One-Half to Five Per Cent.

No. 1 committee of the city council held a minority meeting on Saturday afternoon, Chairman Beattie, Ald. Stevens and Mayor Judd being present.

It was decided to ask the council to pass a bylaw giving No. 1 committee power to remit taxes on the ground of charity. At present the committee has no power in such matters.

The council will also be asked to pass a bylaw for the registration of the local improvements debentures recently sold.

The request of the W. C. A. for remission of taxes on a building occupied by the association was referred to the court of revision.

The Montreal Bank notified the city that henceforth, owing to the tightness of the money market, the city's rate of discount will be 5 per cent. instead of 4½.

FAREWELL BANQUET TO MR. M'GUIGAN

Grand Trunk Family Gathering at Montreal on Saturday.

The farewell tendered Mr. F. H. McGuihan upon leaving Canada was sincere evidence of the warm personal relations between himself and the employees of the Grand Trunk. The banquet at Montreal Saturday night in his honor was a Grand Trunk family gathering, composed of about 350 officials from all over the system. Many and feeling were the expressions of regret at the departure of Mr. McGuihan, who has always had a warm place in the hearts of men in every grade of the service. Mr. McGuihan was deeply affected by the tributes of loyalty and affection, and had to struggle with his emotions in responding.

The Grand Trunk did its late manager the honor of providing him with a special train, which conveyed him from Montreal to Chicago. All along the route at every station the local officials assembled to say good-bye.

"I DIDN'T GET A SQUARE DEAL" SAYS PHILLIPS AT KINGSTON

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Kingston, April 1.—"I didn't get a square deal. I have been sacrificed. If the crown is not above suspicion, who can be? I will come out of Kingston and will live it down. I will show the world I am an honorable man. I never stole five cents in my life."

"I know the courts had the politicians and the public to deal with. The public condemned me in the police court, where I was not being tried, but was only under investigation. Curry was always after me. He seemed to have some kind of a grudge against me. Yet Mr. Maston reported after the investigation of Mr. Cross that no funds of the York Loan had been diverted."

"The truth is the Government brought about the downfall of the York Loan Company, took all I had under promise of immunity and then sacrificed me."

"The charge to which I pleaded guilty was a technicality. The other two charges, which were dropped, could not have been proven. I never stole and I never conspired."

"I was led to believe I would get off entirely or at the worst receive a light sentence. I get the limit, before being tried by a jury."

Above is the summary of the vocabulary by Joseph Phillips before the steel bolts of his cell in Kingston Penitentiary clanged to, shutting out freedom for five years.

Easter Sunday arrived on schedule time yesterday, but about two weeks ahead of the record of last year. Consequently it came in cold, snowy and dreary. Bitter disappointment followed it throughout every hour of the day, so far as the femininity of London was concerned.

Spring millinery was at a discount. Furs were at a premium. The church attendance was very large at nearly all local edifices, but the ladies weren't at their best. They appeared in winter costume, and their minds were plainly on hand-boxes at home.

The weather was really so spiteful it appeared to many of the fair sex as though the weather man had given charge of the bureau to his wife, and she had been unable to buy a new hat this Easter.

The records of the local weather bureau show that the temperature dropped from 37—the lowest recorded on Saturday—to 22 on Sunday—a fall of 15 degrees. As compared with the temperature of Saturday morning, the drop was about 40 degrees.

Sunday afternoon the city streets were practically deserted. The weather was too bleak to allow of any pleasure being taken out of a walk. Coming on the heels of a week of almost summer weather, the cold snap was doubly felt.

At night the churches were again crowded, the special Easter music attracting very many people. In every edifice the resurrection of Christ was the sole theme.

Railway traffic yesterday was very heavy. Many people came to London, and many who arrived on Saturday went home, to be in time for business on Monday morning.

Easter Saturday proved a disappointment to many local merchants. The crowds on the streets were very small, and the amount of business done by the stores was not up to the average. It appeared as though the people had done most of their shopping on Thursday night, which, being a night before a holiday, was very much like a Saturday night.

CONNECT MAINS FOR \$50,000

Price for the Work Named by Engineer Titus.

OTHER POINTS ARE CLEARED UP

In Which City Has Been in the Dark—Meeting of Board Tomorrow.

The water commissioners will hold a meeting tomorrow afternoon to deal with the water question, and perhaps make arrangements for the taking of a vote of the people on the different schemes proposed by means of postcards.

It is understood that Mr. Silas W. Titus, of New York, has made the very important announcement to Chairman Darch that he will agree to build all mains necessary to connect his pumping plant with the city's mains for the sum of \$50,000, in addition to the sum he asks per annum for each million gallons of water pumped for the city.

The city has been in the dark all along as to what it will cost to connect with the water question, and perhaps make arrangements for the taking of a vote of the people on the different schemes proposed by means of postcards.

It is further understood that in his communication Mr. Titus straightened out other matters upon which the commission-ers were a little hazy.

If the city took 3,000,000 gallons of water per day from Mr. Titus, and agreed to pay for the cost of the extra main to connect with the Titus plant, the annual outlay for a period of five years would be \$85,000. If a contract for a longer term than five years was made, the amount per annum would be materially reduced.

THAW COUNSEL SPRING SURPRISE

Announce Their Case Resists So Far as the Lunacy Commission Is Concerned.

New York, April 1.—An important development in the court proceedings against Harry K. Thaw is the announcement today by the defense that the prisoner that the Thaw side rests so far as further testimony by their side is concerned before the lunacy commission. The defense believes this will help to bring this particular hearing to a close by Tuesday night, so that the trial, delayed for nearly a week by the movement to determine Thaw's sanity at the present time, can be immediately resumed. The defense assumes, of course, that the commission will find Thaw is now sane. In fact, they are supremely confident of an outcome, basing their opinion on the splendid supporting Thaw has said to have made when questioned by the commissioners.

District Attorney Jerome does not share the opinion of the defense that the commission will conclude its hearing on Tuesday. He said the defense was assuming too much, and expressed the belief that several days would elapse before the commission reported. Mr. Jerome believes that the commission will hear his clients, and he hopes besides that the testimony of Dr. Allan McLane Hamilton will be admitted. There is no doubt that the hearing will be prolonged, and if the clients are allowed to testify as fully as Mr. Jerome wishes them to do, but the defense's lawyers believe that they will only be permitted to tell what they think of Thaw's present condition, and facts of the distant past on which most of their conclusions are based will be eliminated.

During the past month the London customs collections totaled \$7,571,437, as compared with \$6,219,687 for March, 1906, showing an increase of \$1,351,750.

SUICIDE AT DELHI.

Delhi, Ont., April 1.—This morning the body of H. S. Pettit was found hanging by a rope in a room above his blacksmith shop. The man had been missing since Friday evening.

LAMSDORFF BURIED.

St. Petersburg, April 1.—The funeral of Count Lamsdorff, ex-Russian minister of foreign affairs, who died at San Remo, Italy, March 19, took place here today, and was attended by many prominent persons, including all the ministers, with the exception of Premier Stolypin and the members of the diplomatic corps.

WON'T HANG RAYNOR

London, April 1.—Horace C. Rayner, the young man who shot and killed William Whitely, the great retail merchant, on Jan. 24, and who was sentenced to be hanged, has been reprieved, Mr. Gladstone, the home secretary, having advised the King to commute the sentence to penal servitude for life.

The newspaper editorials this morning generally approve the action as accurately reflecting public opinion, although the home secretary's decision is admittedly based more on sentiment than law. Advantage is taken of the opportunity to discover phases of similarity between the Rayner and Thaw cases.

New York, April 1.—The jury in the Thaw trial was excused until Thursday.

CHAMPLAIN'S TERCENTENARY

U. S. Representatives Ask Sir Wilfrid Laurier to Take Part.

Ottawa, April 1.—Two commissioners from the United States today interviewed Sir Wilfrid Laurier, asking his sympathetic assistance in the celebration of the tercentenary of the discovery by Champlain of the lake bearing his name. The United States consul, Hon. J. G. Foster, introduced the representatives, Hon. H. W. Baillie, of Newbury, Vermont, and L. M. Hays, of Burlington. They want the Premier to be a speaker at this event and to co-operate in the arrangements.

Will Be on Hague Peace Programme Because of Britain's Insistence.

Berlin, April 1.—The Russian Government has submitted to the principal powers, confidentially, a revised programme of the subjects to be discussed at the approaching peace conference at The Hague. Correspondence in this connection between the Russian foreign office and the foreign offices of the powers continues, the object being to reach an agreement in advance of communicating with the minor governments. Great Britain has not formulated a precise plan for the limitation of armaments and secondarily of disarmament, and is unwilling to do so. Nevertheless, it is considered most probable that a discussion of the limitation of armaments will find a place in the programme owing to Great Britain's insistence.

Was Recovering From Recent Operation When Stricken With Diabetes.

Toronto, March 31.—At a late hour this evening the physicians in attendance upon Speaker St. John announced that his condition was again very critical, and the chances of his recovery had become very small. Mr. St. John was operated upon for appendicitis some days ago, and was making excellent progress towards complete recovery, when given a setback by an attack of diabetes. At midnight he was reported as sinking rapidly.

The Hon. Joseph Wesley St. John, M. A., was born July 17, 1854, in Brock Township, near Sunderland, Ont. He was educated at Brock public school, Cobourg Collegiate Institute, and Victoria University, Toronto. He received his B. A. degree in 1881 and his M. A. degree in 1884. He was first elected to the Legislature for York West in 1894. In 1898 he was a candidate in the general elections, but was defeated. He was re-elected to the Legislature in 1902 and 1905. At the opening of the session of 1906 he was elected Speaker. He is a lawyer by profession and unmarried.

Toronto, April 1.—The condition of Hon. J. W. St. John, Speaker of the Legislature, this morning, is unchanged so the general hospital report says.