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THE LONDON CONSPIRACY CASE.

The court of appeal has quashed Judge Winchester's conviction of the defendants in the London conspiracy case.
The text of the judgment is not before us at this writing, but the decision is no surprise. The proceedings before Col. Denison were extraordinary, and in the opinion of learned counsel, irregular. Even the trial judge in stating the case for the court of appeal, threw discredit upon the testimony upon which the crown chiefly relied to prove the charge of conspiracy. In fact, his statement gave the impression there would be a miscarriage of justice if his own decision was not overruled. If the appeal court takes the ground that the police court proceedings were out of order, the Attorney-General's department will have to answer for a gross abuse of its power.

THE ORIGIN OF CONFEDERATION.

Some misconception seems to exist in connection with the incident of the early sixties related in the letter of Sir John Carling, read at the recent banquet given by the Ottawa Canadian Club to the surviving members of the first Parliament of the Dominion. In that letter Sir John told of a conversation he had with George Brown on a railway train, in the course of which the Reform leader expressed his willingness to support John A. Macdonald in a movement for the federation of the British North American provinces. The Macdonald administration at that time held office by a very slender majority. Two elections had been without decisive results, and parliamentary government had become almost impossible. There had been for years practically a deadlock. When Mr. Carling conveyed Mr. Brown's offer to Sir John Macdonald, the latter saw a way out of the difficulty, and immediately acquiesced.

Some contemporaries comment on the incident as though it was the birth of the federation idea. This was not the impression Sir John Carling wished to convey when he wrote the letter. His object was to pay a tribute to Mr. Brown for placing the interests of his country above those of his party. Federation was mooted many years before it became a practical question. It found advocates more than a century ago. Even the Colonial Office suggested it in instructions to Lord Durham in 1838. In the year following Lord Durham recommended a scheme for the union of Upper and Lower Canada, to which by mutual consent the other provinces might be admitted, and proposed a commission to arrange the constituencies and representation on a basis of population and the establishment of local legislatures with exclusive domestic control. A bill drawn on these lines was introduced in the British House of Commons by Lord John Russell, but was withdrawn on account of the opposition it met with. In 1859 the Liberals of Lower Canada issued a manifesto declaring in favor of the substitution of a purely legislative union. In the same year a national Liberal convention met in Toronto, being attended by nearly 600 delegates from all parts of Upper Canada, which declared for "the formation of two or more local governments, to which shall be committed the control of all matters of a local or sectional character, and some joint authority charged with such matters as are common to both sections of the province." At that convention George Brown voiced his hope that "there is not one Canadian in this assembly who does not look forward with high hope to the day when these southern countries shall stand out among the nations of the world as one great confederation." In the year following Mr. Brown introduced in Parliament resolutions based on those of the Liberal convention, but they were rejected. Sir John Macdonald preferred a legislative to a federal union, but he accepted the latter policy when he found it the only practicable one, and the only apparent method of carrying on the government of the country. The conversation between Mr. Brown and Mr. Carling during their chance meeting on a railway train was, however, important as the starting point of the negotiations between the party leaders, which resulted in Confederation a few years later.

A UNITED STATES VIEW OF CANADA.
The Washington correspondent of the New York Sun, referring to the fact that the Montreal board of trade declined an invitation to the recent conference in Detroit on the subject of better international trade relations, asks, "Why should Canadians move in the matter, seeing that the attitude of the United States towards them commercially leaves it without right to ask anything from them?" The correspondent proceeds:
"In the last ten years our sales to Canada have exceeded our purchases from Canada by \$500,000,000. This exhibit is doubtless eminently satisfactory to those Americans, unfortunately numerous, who suffer from what may be called commercial myopia. Their vision extends no further than what seems to them an immediate gain. The single dollar held just in front of the eyes shuts out all that lies beyond. The producers of nearly \$500,000,000 worth of agricultural products fear the destruction of their market by the producers of \$500,000,000 worth. The United States has \$4,350,000,000 worth of farm animals, and Canada has \$300,000,000 worth. A suggestion that Canadian horses, hogs, cattle and sheep be admitted to this country alive or dead, without paying a heavy duty, would be received with a shriek of protest on this side of the line. Some of these victims of myopia are afraid of Canadian fish; others fear coal or lumber or wheat or some other commodity. Canadian terrors include eggs and cabbages and cheese, herring and lobsters and mackerel, dried apples, lard and iron ore. The myopes are convinced that the free admission of any of these or of a hundred other commodities would mean the utter ruin of an American industry."
The correspondent reminds the people of the United States that this attitude on the part of their northern neighbor ignores utterly the most striking fact in the history of the republic's domestic trade and industry, and contends that the inclusion of Canada, whole or partial, within the economic boundaries of the union, would be as beneficial to both countries as freedom of trade among the states is to the individual states. The present system has already driven a large amount of United States capital into Canada. About 150 industrial firms have established branch concerns on this side of the border, representing an investment of about \$130,000,000. In addition about \$25,000,000 or \$30,000,000 of United States money has gone into Canadian saw-mills and timber limits, and millions more into mining, farming and cattle-raising. "Meanwhile," adds the Sun's correspondent, "Canada extends a tariff advantage to Great Britain, enters into favorable treaty relations with France, and in its ample prosperity regards the commercial intrigues of the United States with comparative indifference."
The American farmers are deceived if they imagine that their tariff will shield them against Canadian competition. Competition is not prevented; it is merely transferred to neutral markets, principally Great Britain. Thus does trade laugh at tariffs. Canada has succeeded so well in these neutral markets that she is no longer dependent upon the United States, and shows an indifference to the tariff-making at Washington which would have been impossible ten years ago.

IS THE KINRADE CASE TO BE MERELY A NINE DAYS' WONDER?

Kitchener will return to England via Canada. If the Canadian Clubs can capture him, they will have made the greatest catch in their history.
Western members of the Ottawa Opposition insist that the party shall not declare for higher customs duties. It may be a case of the tail wagging the dog, but the tail is growing at a wonderful rate.

EARL GREY IS TO STAY IN CANADA ANOTHER YEAR.

No other governor-general, excepting Lord Aberdeen, has so identified himself with this country. He gives the impression that he has enjoyed himself in Canada, and will be as sorry to leave as Canadians will be sorry to see him go.

ALTHOUGH ABDUL HAMID HAS BEEN DEPOSED, THE NEW GOVERNMENT OF TURKEY IS NOT YET TOO INSECURE TO TRY TO COPE WITH MOHAMMEDAN FURY IN ASIA MINOR.

Only the great powers can stop the butchery and punish the assassins, but they are too jealous of one another to unite in defence of a Christian population. When the Turkish reformers are firmly entrenched they will have to answer to the world for the conduct of Turkish subjects.

THE HON. JOE MARTIN WAS BADLY DEFEATED IN THE STRUTFORD-ON-AVON DIVISION OF WARWICKSHIRE YESTERDAY.

Mr. Martin, Unionist, polled 5,374 votes. Mr. Martin, 2,747, and the Independent Liberal, Capt. Smith, 478. The latter was elected by a majority of 148 in the general election, but resigned because he considered the Government's naval policy inadequate. On the present occasion he ran as an advocate of compulsory military training. The riding, which had gone Conservative by large majorities for twenty years before 1906, is largely a rural one, comprising 90 villages. The promise of a duty on imports of foodstuffs no doubt influenced the agricultural vote strongly in favor of Mr. Foster. Mr. Martin's introduction to British politics has not been encouraging, but he is used to hard knocks, and will probably fight another day.

CALGARY CROWS.

[Calgary News.]
London, Ont., claims that it has a population reaching to 50,000. That's nothing; Calgary will beat that inside of three years at the present rate of growth.

WOULD MAKE A POOR RUN.

[Toronto Star.]
It is safe betting that Sir James Whittemore could not obtain a three-fifths majority for Ontario's new coat of arms.

SNOWBALLS ROLLED BY THE WIND.

[St. Nicholas.]
A correspondent from Nicholville, a town in the northern part of New York State, tells of a storm lasting several hours, during which time the wind made

snowballs it began with small lumps of snow which it rolled over and over till they were too large and heavy to move. The ground was almost covered with these balls, some being as much as ten inches in diameter. A great many people noticed them, and some of the oldest inhabitants of the place said they never had seen such a thing before. Nevertheless, the occurrence is in reality not extremely rare.

TALE OF A TAPE MEASURE.

[Pall Mall Gazette.]
The explorers were sitting one on each side of the president when Dr. Stein produced from his waistcoat pocket a small spring tape measure in a tiny aluminum drum. "It is a very curious thing," said Dr. Stein, "but in 1906, when I was in Eastern Tibet, I picked up this measure at the foot of an old ruin. I have carried it ever since, and used it constantly." Dr. Sven Hedin took the measure in his hand. "This is mine," he said at once. "I lost it in Tibet in 1901," and he named the spot where he believed he had dropped it, with the number of miles it was distant from a certain great lake. This proved it to be the spot where it was found.

BROKER LOSES FOR ONCE.

[Montreal Herald.]
"You are only a bookworm," said the broker, "who knows nothing of the market and the tickers."
"I'd rather be a bookworm," retorted the professor, "than a tapeworm."

A HEIRLOOM.

[Cleveland Leader.]
"I have an heirloom on this table," said the landlady, "that has come down to me through four generations."
"I thought so," mused the new boarder. "Why don't you get a different butter dealer?"

WORKS OF IMAGINATION.

[Cleveland Plaindealer.]
"Are you fond of works of imagination?"
"Well, I read the weather reports every morning."

THE STRENGTH OF HIS LOVE.

[Cleveland Leader.]
Her—How much do you love me? For all you're worth?
Him—More; I had to borrow the price of this bunch of violets.

THE PEACE OF THE NATIONS.

[S. E. Kiser.]
Peace is the cry that the people utter. And peace is the promise the nations yield. But over the barracks the proud flags flutter. And armies are ready to march a-field. The dreadnought's gunners are gravely waiting. The cruiser tugs at her anchor chains. A hate is followed by deeper hating. Where only a withered hope remains.

THE STATESMEN PLEAD FOR APPROPRIATIONS.

And they promise peace as a fair reward. But day by day o'er the burdened nations There fall the shadows of pike and sword. The toilers give that the guns may glitter. And ask if ever the strain shall cease. And the rivals, arming for action, listen For the shout that shall signal the fall of peace.

IN THE HEARTS OF MEN THERE IS DARK FORTHODING.

The nations jealously watch and wait; There is endless baiting and ceaseless goading. And the mighty navies grow still more great. Peace is the cry that the people utter. And peace is the promise the nations send. Why should the flags at the mastheads flutter. And why should the folly be without end?

WENT AFTER THEM.

[Halifax Chronicle.]
Having a deficit of nearly eighty million dollars on his hands, there was nothing for Mr. Lloyd-George to do but to make somebody pay the bill, and he went right after the plutocrats and the "pups."

ONLY A FEW.

[Puck.]
We produce only about one genius in a century, but a great and increasing number of those who can make a noise like a genius.

HIS FAME.

[Washington Star.]
"What is your member of Congress noted for?"
"Well," answered Farmer Cornstossel, "around here he's mostly noted for arguments that won't go down and seeds that won't come up."

CONSERVATION OF BAUBLES.

[Boston Herald.]
Nothing is lost in the economy of nature or of trade. The candy and pink-pong balls, in heightened color, now masquerade as cherries on ladies' hats. They are pretty enough, but not good enough to eat.

LUCK.

[Detroit Free Press.]
"Pa, is there such a thing as luck?"
"Of course there is, my son. It is always luck when a batsman on the opposing team makes a home run."

TWO SUICIDES.

Lyon, Mass., May 4.—Charles R. Cutts, editor of the Daily Evening Item, took his own life by drinking cyanide of potassium at his residence in Swanwick tonight. No reason for his act is known. Mr. Cutts was 37 years old.

NEW YORK, MAY 4.—Wm. P. Does, a newspaperman of Belleville, Ill., committed suicide late today near a summer house in Central Park by shooting himself in the head.

ED. WALSH'S BROTHER WAS KILLED IN MINES.

Youngster Was Ambitious of Emulating His Brother's Career.
Wilkesbarre, Pa., May 5.—David Walsh, a younger brother of Edward Walsh, the Chicago American League pitcher, was killed yesterday in a mine at his home in Plains. He was ambitious to emulate the career of his elder brother, David, who has been fatally injured in an accident near Wilkesbarre, Pa. The pitcher will leave immediately for the east.

THE OTHER SIDE.

Among the list of "Don'ts" prepared by Frank Chester for the Marathon race, "Don't get a swelled head when the papers boost you." He might have added this one: "Don't fall to be a little St. Yves' record, but it was good time at that. This would make a full minute's difference in time, which was fast, anyway."

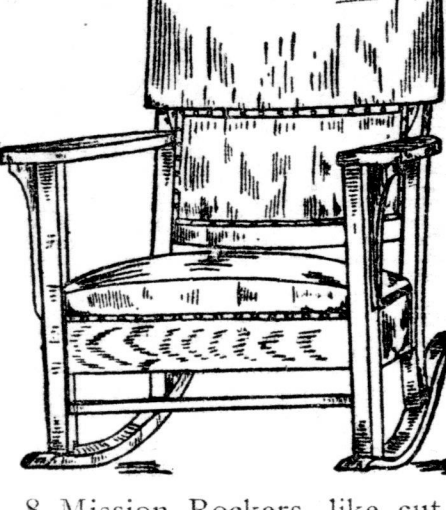
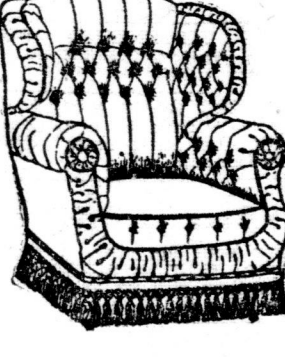
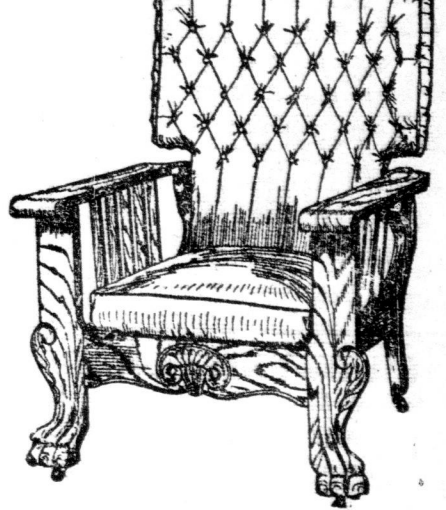
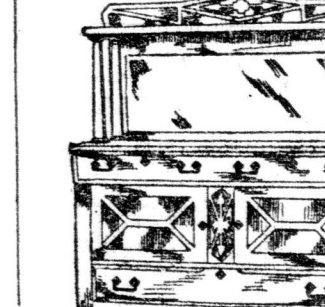
Clean Sweep Furniture Sale

The Balance of Our Stock To Be Cleared Out in the Next Two Weeks Regardless of Cost

READ THIS—The alterations to our building are nearly finished. Our Alteration Sale was a big success. It greatly reduced our stock and made it possible for us to make room for the builders, but now that most of the flying dust and dirt is over we have about \$10,000 worth of stock left. This furniture is only dusty and dirty. It can easily be polished up again. But while it would look first-class in a home we cannot place it side by side with new furniture. There is only one thing for us to do if we wish to start off in the new building with a fresh stock, and that is to CLEAR IT OUT AT ONCE AT ANY PRICE THAT IT WILL BRING. We have marked it down to less than factory price. This is the chance of a lifetime to those who need furniture, rugs, linoleums, etc., this spring.

\$10,000 Worth of Slightly Soiled Furniture, Rugs, Linoleums and Lace Curtains at Less Than Factory Prices.

BELOW WE GIVE BUT A PARTIAL LIST OF THE GREAT BARGAINS AWAITING YOU.

 8 Mission Rockers, like cut, in early English finish; solid oak; real Spanish leather upholstery. Worth \$12.00. To clear at \$5.75 Our \$15 Mission Chairs, \$7.50 Our \$20 Mission Chairs, \$10.00	 6 big Easy Chairs, upholstered in best Bradley leather; deep tufted; like cut. Worth \$30.00. Sale price \$14.95	 24 Reed Rockers, like cut. Worth \$6.00. Sale price \$2.95 Our \$8 Rockers... \$4.25 Our \$10 Rockers \$5.65	 24 Oak Morris Chairs; best Bradley leather upholstery. Worth \$15.00. To clear at \$7.50 We have the same chair in the Rocker.
 6 Extension Tables, like cut, round or square tops. Worth \$13.50. To clear at \$8.50 Our \$8 TABLES for \$5.50 Our \$10 TABLES for \$6.75 Our \$12 TABLES for \$7.50 Our \$22 TABLES for \$14.50	 Heavy Iron Beds, like cut. Worth \$9.50. To clear at \$5.25 Our \$6.00 BEDS for \$4.25 Our \$8.00 BEDS for \$5.00 Our \$12.00 BEDS for \$7.75 Our \$15.00 BEDS for \$9.50 Our \$35 BRASS BEDS, \$23.00 Our \$45 BRASS BEDS, \$32.00	 Solid Oak Buffets, like cut. Worth \$25.00, for \$16.00 Our \$30 Buffets for \$21 Our \$35 Buffets for \$23 Our \$45 Buffets for \$29	 Collapsible Carts, worth \$7.50. To clear at... \$4.95 \$10 CARTS for \$7.50 \$12 CARTS for \$8.50 \$20 Large Cabs for \$13.50 \$25 Large Cabs for \$16.50 \$30 Large Cabs for \$21.00

Lace Curtains 300 pairs of Lace Curtains to clear out at 1-3 to 1-2 off. Our 75c CURTAINS for . . 48c Our 1.00 CURTAINS for 65c Our 1.50 CURTAINS for 95c Our \$2 CURTAINS for \$1.35 Our \$3 CURTAINS for \$1.95 Our \$5 CURTAINS for \$3.25	LINOLEUMS All widths and qualities; to clear out at mill prices. We do not lay Linoleum during the sale. Be sure and see our stock.	ROOM RUGS All patterns and qualities and sizes; slightly soiled. To be cleared out at less than mill prices. A very large stock to choose from.
MATRESSES \$12.00 MATRESSES for \$9.00 \$6.00 MATRESSES for \$4.50 \$4.00 MATRESSES for \$2.75	SPRINGS \$4.00 SPRINGS for \$2.75 \$3.50 SPRINGS for \$2.50	

The Ontario Furniture Co.

TORONTO PAPERS DO NOT AGREE Controversy Over the Accuracy of the Marathon Measurement—What They Say. The News: "After so much talk over the Marathon race on Saturday not being the full distance, I wish to state that I was present after it was run and saw it measured. The track was found to be quite correct. (Signed) 'ALFRED SHURVILL, Referee.'" This statement should set at rest all doubt as to the authenticity of the figures handed out. Frank H. Elmore, manager of the race, gave reasonable assurance of the reliability of the promoters that the absolute accuracy of the track and time made established. Every precaution had been taken to insure a "square" race both before and after. Loi Solomon has also looked into the matter and pronounced the distance correct. Joseph Doane and Lou Scholes, timers, have given reasonable assurance of the reliability of the time credited to Marsh. So there the matter ends. The Telegram: In view of the rumors that the track at the island for the Marathon race, Saturday, was short, the Telegram sent over a practical measurement of the reliability of the track mathematically. His report is as follows: The track measures on the path where the men ran 1.611 1/2 feet, or 4 1/2 feet short on each lap. It is thus 22 1/2 feet short to the mile, or in 26 miles 585 feet. With 5,290 feet in a mile, this shows the distance run a sixth of a mile short in 26 miles. The measurement by the Telegram's man does away with Marsh's amazing St. Yves' record, but it was good time at that. This would make a full minute's difference in time, which was fast, anyway."	ST. JEANNE GETS THE SEVERN PURSE (Continued From Page Seven.) ton, 9 to 5, 1; Bedminster, 40 to 1, 2; Dalhousie, 25 to 1, 3. Time, 1:55 1-5. Second race, 1 mile—Takahira, 8 to 1; Bonnie Kello, even, 2; Dispute, 3 to 1, 3. Time, 1:40 3-5. Third race, the Severn purse, selling 6 furlongs—St. Jeanne, 5 to 1, 1; Sally Preston, 6 to 1, 2; Taboo, 8 to 1, 3. Time, 1:13 4-5. Fourth race, owners' handicap, steeplechase, about two miles—Touchwood, 7 to 10, 1; Waterway, 6 to 5, 2; Kentucky Beau, 2 to 1, 3. Time, 4:23 3-5. Fifth race, selling, 6 furlongs—Red River, 1 to 6, 1; Consistent, 7 to 10, 2; Mystifier, 8 to 1, 3. Time, 1:13 3-5. Sixth race, 1 mile and 60 yards—Ruxton, 25 to 1, 1; Beaucoeur, 1 to 3, 2; Great Jubilee, 3 to 1, 1. Time, 1:43 3-5. Seventh race, selling, 1 mile—Smoker, 15 to 1, 1; Lad of Langdon, even, 2; Hilltop, 2 to 5, 3. Time, 1:40 4-5. NO PLACE FOR BELMONT Eaton Maiden Plate of 200 Sovereigns Won by Artisan. Chester, England, May 4.—The Eaton maiden plate of 200 sovereigns, for 2-year-olds, distance six furlongs, was run here today, and won by Artisan, owned by Col. Lampton, G. F. Pawcett's second, and Sir W. Bass' filly, by Flor-de-lis, out of Knightshade third. August Belmont's Laconian did not get a place.	M'MILLAN WINS FROM GOOD FIELD Feature Race at Louisville Won by Stirring Drive in the Stretch. Louisville, Ky., May 4.—The crowd at the second day's racing of the New Louisville Jockey Club was larger than was expected. In the feature race of the day, the handicap, at a mile and 20 yards, John F. McMillan beat a good field in a stirring drive through the stretch, in which all but Frank Fittner seemed to have a chance. Only one favorite won. Orlando, winner of the first race, paid \$471 20 to 5 in the pari-mutuels. Showers fell intermittently during the afternoon. First race, 6 furlongs—Orlando 1, Earlsfoot 2, Gypsy King 3. Time, 1:13 3-5. Second race, 4 1/2 furlongs—Duquesne 1, Kiddy Lee 2, Short Order 3. Time, 1:09 2-5. Winner \$15 25 straight, \$9 place, \$6 95 show; Kiddy Lee, \$13 25 place, \$11 25 show; Short Order, \$9 90 show. Third race, 6 furlongs, purse—Snap 1, Patriot 2, Star Thistle 3. Time, 1:14 2-5. Mutuels paid on winner: Straight \$50 15, place \$25 85, show \$13 15. Patriot, place \$18 60, show \$13 15. Star Thistle, show \$11 35. Fourth race, mile and 20 yards, free handicap for 3-year-olds and up—John E. McMillan, \$76 straight, 1; Old Honesty, \$9 90 place, 2; The Minks, \$6 30 show, third. Time, 1:42 4-5. Fifth race, 4 1/2 furlongs, selling—Jack Straw, \$14 75 straight, 1; Betty Lester,
\$247 15 place, 2; Sallian, \$14 90 show, 3. Time, 1:14 2-5. Sixth race, mile and 70 yards, selling—Cred, \$8 70 straight, 1; Col. Blue, \$11 55, 2; Lafayette, \$6 75 show, 3. Time, 1:42 2-5.	BOWLING LEAGUE SEASON CLOSED National Two-Men League Events Concluded Saturday—The Prize-Winners. On Saturday evening last the National two-men league was drawn to a close, and the prizes awarded to the winning contestants. The competition was one of the most successful of its kind, while the struggle for superiority among the teams presented all the excitement that good bowling affords. Ben Waterworth and Lou McCutcheon were first, and received a handsome gold watch apiece. W. Primeau and J. McMurphy were close with second score, while A. Shewer, C. Shearer, W. Culham and Froggett, are all tied for third. Jimmy Young and Sam Turner got in on the fifth prize with 14-249. The last four teams mentioned will be the recipients of a solid gold medal apiece, beautifully engraved with the winner's name on the back. Lou McCutcheon was the high man of the league, with the best aggregate, high single game, of 297, and 18 strikes, in 4 games. The largest number of spares goes to Jimmy Young who got 207. The five men teams competing till Friday night are as follows:	