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LAST SESSION OF RITCHIE INVESTIGATION WAS LIVELY

J. B. M. Baxter, M. P. P., the Only Witness Yesterday Morning—Magistrate and J. A. Barry Address Court, and Commissioner Will Submit Finding to Government.

The investigation into the charges against Police Magistrate Ritchie was concluded yesterday, after a lively session, followed by interest by a large crowd of spectators. J. B. M. Baxter was the only witness and his cross-examination by Magistrate Ritchie was the feature of the whole inquiry. Mr. Baxter denied emphatically that he was in any way connected with a conspiracy to dismiss the magistrate, but made no secret of his lack of respect for the person of the magistrate, frankly stating that he did not consider him always responsible for his actions.

During the examination the magistrate frequently wandered from the subjects of the enquiry and Mr. Baxter frequently objected, but Commissioner Armstrong, while agreeing that the objections were well taken, allowed the magistrate lots of latitude. Throughout the enquiry the magistrate frequently stated that he had received information of the alleged conspiracy from respectable citizens, whom he could produce, but he called no witnesses and after Mr. Baxter had concluded his evidence, the magistrate, on his own behalf and Mr. Barry, on behalf of the petitioners, were heard in argument.

In his address Mr. Barry stated that he had taken up the cases of the petitioners because the magistrate had vented his spleen at being beaten in an election for an office in an Irish society by imposing unjust sentences on Mr. Barry's clients in the police court, and had tried to make it impossible for him to live here.

When the court convened the commissioner announced that adjournment had been made from the last session for two reasons. One was that a party had written him, offering to give evidence favorable to the magistrate. This party turned out to be a demented person and his information was of no importance. The other reason was to give Mr. Baxter an opportunity to reply to some statements made in reference to him by Capt. McIntyre.

Mr. Baxter called.

J. B. M. Baxter, who was present, said he was prepared to answer every enquiry made of him. Accordingly he was sworn and on taking the stand he was asked by the police magistrate for his version of the story of Asst. Clerk McIntyre.

Mr. Baxter has only read the newspaper account.

The evidence as given by Mr. McIntyre was then read.

Mr. Baxter—There is nothing to indicate the time this occurred. It is not impossible that it may have happened two or three years ago. I have avoided the police court since then. I occasionally use temperate language. I'm not denying that I said this, but I don't recollect doing so. Mr. McIntyre seems to have been an innocent eaves-dropper. It is not unlikely that I used such language. I did it was in consequence of great provocation.

Q.—Are you in the habit of using such expressions about me?
A.—No.

Q.—Did you say on the morning that Sheriff Ritchie died that you wished it had been the other Ritchie?
A.—You may moderate your voice. You're not in the police court. The Magistrate—I'm speaking in my natural way.

Mr. Baxter—You're not in the night court.
The Magistrate—You sit there, Mr. Commissioner and allow him to say that?

The Wrong Ritchie Taken.
Mr. Baxter—I did say the Almighty

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Q.—Aren't the parishes your constituency?
A.—The County of St. John is the name of the constituency.

Q.—Is it your constituency?
The Commissioner—I rule that out. Q.—Aren't you in a dual position? The Commissioner—I rule that out. Magistrate Ritchie—All right; that's all I want. Mr. Recorder, did you state you thought I ought to be dismissed?

A.—I don't think I ever put it that way.
Q.—You didn't send any one to kill me?

A.—No. I have always had a great respect for justice, and I like to have it impartially administered. I don't think this is done in your court.

Mr. Barry—Hear, hear.
Q.—Did you say I had sufficient ability to fill the office?

A.—I may say that as a young man with his first vote I voted to sustain the government which appointed you, because I thought as a party man and as a solicitor general you had a right to the office, and I did not believe that your creed should bar you from office.

Q.—Did you say you thought I was legally fit for the position of magistrate?

A.—I think you have the ability but not the integrity industry.

Q.—Part of the lack of integrity I suppose, is in the case of giving money to my son. Have you never taken money from the court?

Mr. Baxter admitted having had money returned to him by the chamberlain upon an order of the Supreme Court.

Q.—Do you remember an inquest in the police court rooms at which I was not present when you appeared for a steamship line and damages might have been recovered on a great fine and broke down a door?

A.—I tried to break it down, but I failed. I was not there at the time, which was put there at my telephone, which was put there at my telephone, which was put there at my telephone.

Q.—Have you told any one of friction between me and the Chief of Police?

A.—Not latterly.

Authorized No Articles.

Q.—Have you authorized any articles in the paper about me?

A.—No; I know you have the idea that an editorial in The Standard was

inspired by me. I know nothing of it until it appeared in the paper.

Q.—An article on remands appeared on Monday. On Saturday I heard from a man that the manuscript was in your office. Is that true?

A.—That is absolutely incorrect. The only editorial I ever wrote for The Standard was one near the time the paper was started and was on an everyday subject.

Q.—Did you not inspire others?
A.—No. Mr. Walker spoke to me about the Gunter White case, and I remarked about him being allowed to slip out of jail.

Q.—Speaking of men slipping out of jail, do you not know anything about a man getting out of jail and the sheriff being in trouble about it?

A.—I know that a man escaped. It was while the building was being enlarged and a workman is said to have left a door unlocked.

"Not Entirely Responsible."

Q.—Have you not told men that you thought they would succeed me on the bench?

A.—I could not know, as the government makes the appointments.

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The Magistrate's Argument.

The magistrate then took up his own arguments. He first referred to the Howes case and said he was unable to get an answer to his question regarding who inspired the charges.

He referred to Mr. Henderson's evidence regarding the arrangement to pay the fine and argued that since Howes was never before him he could not issue a commitment.

The commissioner asked if, then, Mr. Howes could recover that money, and the magistrate refused to give his opinion.

Continuing the magistrate said that Howes had alleged that he had been troubled by other men speaking of the matter to him. "He is not interested in the matter now. The money has been paid in, not as quickly as it should be, but it has been paid."

Taking up the Lenihan case he said: "There was a difference in his petition and his evidence. In the first he had said he had engaged my son, but in his evidence he says I engaged him, whether there is a reason for this."

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and mendacity commend me to these intriguers. The clever conspirator gathers his creatures around him, as Becker had his gunmen. These creatures are the gunmen of another Becker.

The Commissioner—"Guns are murderers."

Falls Back on Shakespeare.

The magistrate—"Well, are they not? As Shakespeare said, 'Who steals my purse steals trash, but who steals my good name—' Is not that as bad?"

"An effort has been made to show that I have caused friction with the police. I could produce members of the force to show that when improper arrests were made, instead of publicly scoring the police, I first dismissed the prisoner and then quietly warned the policeman who was in the wrong."

Referring again to what he had said was a proposal to dismiss him and put Mr. Henderson in his place, the magistrate asked if they no longer had responsible government, and if the "great I am" now dictates these madly dismissed as an innocent man.

"I have been on the bench for twenty-three years and I leave it to my fellow citizens whether they have not dealt fairly with all men and have dealt fairly with everyone irrespective of race, creed or color."

The magistrate again referred to what he believed to be the unfriendly attitude of the commissioner towards him, but saying that he had not taken objection because he wanted it over as soon as possible.

Mr. Barry Opens.

Mr. Barry in opening said that he regretted that the commission continued to the two charges but he was satisfied that he could show the gross irregularities and that one hundred dollars had been unlawfully kept from the provincial government by the magistrate.

Mr. Barry first took up the Lenihan case, which had been deposited on a bastardy warrant and had denied the charge and he was afterwards dismissed as an innocent man.

The magistrate admitted the charge. After the dismissal in May 1911 he went to get his money from the magistrate, with whom he had deposited it, and for which the magistrate had given him receipt. He asked the magistrate to return the money, but the magistrate claimed he had given it to E. S. Ritchie within twenty-four hours after the dismissal, but saying that he had not told Lenihan so when he went to him in the winter of 1912 for it. He simply replied: "I will see. I will look it up." He saw he knew E. S. Ritchie had the money.

Mr. Barry—"What had he to see about—to look up?" asked Mr. Barry, "if E. S. Ritchie had the money months before E. S. Ritchie did not have the money," said Mr. Barry, and then read the answers of the magistrate to him on cross-examination, which Mr. Barry said were very contradictory, and if given in the magistrate's court would condemn any witness. He then read as follows:

Contradictory Statements.

Q.—What time did you give the money to E. S. Ritchie?
A.—I don't know. I don't even say what time the case was dismissed.

Q.—Have you a record of it?
A.—No.

Here Mr. Barry interjected the remark: "And you remember he said the money was in his pocket, and now he admits he had no record."