EDWIN O. BROWN WILL BE CONFINED IN INSANE ASYLUM

Jury Brought in Verdict of Insanity Saturday, After Chief Justice Announced that He Believed Prisoner Insane and Was Reluctant to Try Him.

CHARLOTTETOWN, P. E. I., Jan. 26.—A sensational drama of real life life reached a thrilling climax in the supreme court here on Saturday during the trial of Edwin O. Brown, the young barrister of thirty-three indicted for seven charges of forgery, any one sufficient to give him a life sentence, while it was well known that there were others which were not being pressed. On Friday, after a trial lasting nearly five days, during which eight doctors were subjected to searching examination and cross-examination, the jury who had been asked to try the issue whether the prisoner was to take his trial by reason of his insanity, found that he was sane and could stand his trial. The following day in a court house packed to overflowing the case opened on the main charges of forgery, Brown undertaking to conduct his own defense.

The first charge was the forging of mortgage purporting to be given by Warren J. Vessey and wife to Thomas Campbell of Charlottetown as security for $750 loaned Brown by Campbell. The evidence proved beyond a shadow of doubt that Brown forged the mortgage and certificate of registrar. When asked to submit his defense Brown with prison pallor on his face showing the results of a sleepless night of hard work preparing his case, asked to be sworn in order to tell his story. He announced at the outset that he had done no wrong, but he was the victim of uncontrollable influences combined with a hypnotic effect resulting in insanity at that time. At present he was perfectly sane. He gave a long account of his life, presenting many interesting details, stating his troubles began when as a student he got into financial difficulties with a certain law firm which did not pay him, he said, what was due him. Then he went into stocks speculating and lost heavily. He blamed as the author of his troubles a certain attorney. When he got to this stage of the story and gravely stated that he had challenged the attorney to a duel, the chief justice stayed proceedings and said that despite the verdict of the jury on Friday he had grave doubts as to the prisoner's sanity and was very reluctant to try him. He then submitted the issue to the jury to determine whether he was sane enough to stand his trial. The jury after two hours' deliberation brought in a verdict of insanity. Brown will be confined to an insane hospital.

Although spectators knew he had committed forgeries running up to thirty thousand dollars and that great wrong had been done certain people, including a widow whose insurance money Brown had secured, there was sympathy for the haggard looking individual, borne up by a false hope of so impressing the jury that his plea of "not guilty" would be sustained. Brown contended that the first verdict was entirely in accord with his desires. He was utterly opposed to the insanity plea. Everybody in the court, he said, wanted him to appear insane, but they were all insane except himself and the attorney general, who was the wisest man in the bunch. Brown's speech lasted for two hours, when he complained of feeling tired. He skilfully parried the question put to him by the chief justice, Did you or did you not commit the forgeries? replying that he was not responsible for anything he had done.

AUSPICIOUS OPENING OF FINE NEW C.P.R. HOTEL IN VICTORIA, B.C.

VICTORIA, B. C., Jan. 23.—There was a flood of melody and light in Victoria tonight when the opening of the new C. P. R. hotel was celebrated. While no idea of public demonstration was entertained tonight, the elite of Vancouver Island turned out in great numbers to celebrate the biggest event on this island since George Vancouver sailed through the waters of Juan de Fuca and told England she had another outpost of the Empire.

A great gathering there was of ladies fair and their escorts at the "Empress" tonight, where everything betokened a new era for this western world.

The city of Victoria, on Vancouver Island, may now claim the finest equipped hotel on the continent of America. It is named "The Empress," and commands a position in which scenic effect with commercial convenience is combined.

No more beautiful site or surroundings might be selected than the ample acreage upon which this million dollar structure stands. A background of forest greens, the distinct Olympian range of mountains outlined against the sky, the Grand Cascades towering to Mount Baker, and the shadowy Rainier snow-capped, with a sweep of waterway leading to the grand old Pacific beyond, whose beating surface, like heart throb, comes back on the night winds.

To the traveller looking for rest, or the tourist desiring recreation, Victoria offers all a most salubrious climate affords.

The temperature of slight variation, 40 to 50, while all the warmth and color of summer may be found in December, the bright holly berry being the only reminder of winter in the bright little island. It is a sentinelled sea coast, with coaxing curves leading to Esquimalt harbor; while "the gorge" lends something uncanny to the surrounding scenery and suggests the haunts of the Olympian gods in their revels when the western world was new.

Standing upon the threshold of The Empress you find a modern palace designed without regard to cost and furnished with regard to comfort and conveniences. The building faces James Bay, where Venetian effects are found in the reflected lights of a double water front at night.

Arranged ensuite from two to five rooms in number, carpeted throughout in expensive axminster in a crown design; dull brass bedsteads, bedded with springs and hair mattresses and pillowed to invite sleep, separate bathroom, most elaborately appointed, with electric lights, bells and telephones, mahogany furniture with bevelled mirrors and tasteful curtains in tones of green and gold, the halls are wide and well lighted with miniature drinking fountains set in the walls. Six stories are repeated in sleeping accommodation, and fine wide and softly carpeted stairways connect each floor. A triple elevator service is also installed. Fire escapes of the most ornamental design offer ease of mind to the nervous inclined, while the building, thoroughly fireproof, is patrolled by a relay of guard night and day.

There are two chief entrances to the hotel; one from a sweeping carriage drive, another private door opening to the office and leading to a ladies' drawing room. Here the furnishings are delicate gray, merging to rodo pink. Cosy seats and pretty tables placed tete-a-tete, with alcoved cosy corners, lighted by tinted electric globes and a rich carpet of prevailing shade dulls sound. Simple elegance is found. The lounge room opens on three sides and is lighted by small scroll paned glass above large windows with a front outlook.

Ornamental pillars radiate lights from hundreds of electric globes set in dull brass fixtures and a large open fireplace at each end throws out a bright glow from embers of beech driftwood. The yielding armchair and comfortable Davenport lounges bear the holly design surrounding a crown at the head. The ceilings are carved ingeniously, the picturing solidity and strength tempered by beauty as the elemental force.

The banquet hall, finished in highly polished Australian rosewood in supporting columns and dado surpasses anything seen elsewhere. Added to the highly polished supporting beams is a heavy enrichment in carving. It suggests that of the Italian renaissance, and is reproduced from that patterned on the walls of the Chateau Fontain Brea. A wide old fashioned fireplace supports a solid brass figure of a peacock with tail outspread and various screens carrying out the same design as the window curtains bear the blue and green imprint. Brass urns with native ferns distribute themselves about this vast apartment, which seats 250 guests at tables under candelabra of some two hundred brilliant lights.

A resident orchestra add harmony to the charming effects here found. Just off this opens the palms garden and interior grotto of green. Nothing more lovely found outside the Italian villas of the Alps. Above the tessalated floor, rises a central dome of colored glass illuminated by clustering lights which throw out the shadowy branches of palms below a central palm weighing a ton and a half which has been imported from California.

Seats are placed at intervals for those desiring to sit and hear the dreamy strains of "Il Trovatore."

One can scarcely imagine anything more refined and restful than this Elysium in the midst of busy life and bustling trade.

The business office, like the building in general, is finished in weathered oak. Safes, cash registers, a news and cigar stand, a public telephone and a stenographer are provided for guests.

Thought and invention is not, however, exhausted here, for a glance in the finely fitted up basement, with its stone floors and granite walls, shows the perfection of practical equipment. Here the hotel liquor stores are found in a grape arbored enclosure, Bacchus himself might rein here in supreme delight.

Glittering glass is reflected in handsome mirrors set at angles in the shelved walls, and a grouping of brilliant lights fall athwart every conveniently arranged set of chairs and tables. The various wines are here dispensed to guests and patrons.

God in His greatness has made a wonder way,
Across which mortal man can find his way
Both to the Orient and the Occident.

CONSENTED TO GO BACK

TORONTO, Jan. 26.—Joseph and Albernice Vianli, Italians, were identified Saturday by a bar tender in the saloon where the murder took place as the slayers of a fellow countryman in Philadelphia and consented to go back without extradition.

MONCTON, N. B., Jan. 24—George Wetmore was quite badly injured in the I. C. R. shops this morning. A heavy piece of iron fell on his head, knocking him unconscious, and inflicting a bad wound.

PLOT TO OVERTHROW MONARCHY IN PORTUGAL DISCOVERED IN TIME

KING CARLOS.

LISBON, Jan. 23 (by courier to Badajoz, Spain, Jan. 23).—An abortive attempt to overthrow the monarchy and proclaim Portugal a republic, was nipped in the bud last night by the prompt action of the government. The plot was organized by a small group of advanced Republicans. As near as can be ascertained, the plan was to assassinate Premier Franco and then depend for success upon street risings, supported by secret Republican and labor organizations armed with bombs and revolvers.

The conspirators intended to take advantage of various festivities to carry out the coup d'etat. The royal family were at Villa Vicosa, entertaining the Duke of Abruzzi, most of the army and navy officers, who were in the city, were attending a gala performance at the theatre, while many of the chief functionaries of state were present at a magnificent ball at one of the legations.

The police discovered what was in the wind early in the evening and surrounded and raided a house where the ringleaders in the plot were conferring. When they broke in the doors, the lights were extinguished and in the confusion that followed, most of the conspirators managed to make their escape. Several of them, however, were captured, including the leader, Joao Chagras, a Republican journalist, who was prominent in the Republican revolt of 1891; Franca Borger, editor of O Mundo, and a merchant by the name of Grendella.

A case of revolvers and of bombs was found in the cellar.

A general alarm was sent out, and while the prisoners were being taken to jail, troops began to appear from all directions. A squad of cavalry was placed around Premier Franco's house, and the night passed without further incident.

From papers captured it was evident that the conspirators were badly organized and the conspiracy premature. Chagras, the leader, has always been an active revolutionary. After the revolt of 1891 he escaped to Brazil and subsequently, being pardoned by amnesty, returned to Portugal.

As the details of the plot are in the hands of the police, other arrests are expected.

Premier Franco has established a rigorous censorship, so that news of the conspiracy may be learned abroad. Outside of Lisbon no disturbances are reported.

The peaceful section of the Republicans, headed by Bernadino Machado, apparently is in no way implicated in the affair.

The government organ Diario Illustrade, this morning printed the warning that agitators against public order will be treated as criminals and the enemies of society.

By tonight about forty conspirators had been arrested. The police have secured evidence of another revolt, planned to take place January 31, the anniversary of the Republican revolt at Oporto, if last night's plans failed.

FATHER PETROFF DEPRIVED OF RANK

And Is Handed Over For Judgment Before a Civil Court.

ST. PETERSBURG, Jan. 25.—Father Gregory Petroff, the most noted priest in the Russian Church to Father John of Cronstadt, was deprived of his ecclesiastical rank at the session of Holy Synod today and handed over to the civil authorities for judgment before a civil court. An alleged contumely to the church and state was contained in a letter which he addressed to Archbishop Antonius, Metropolitan of St. Petersburg, and which was widely circulated in Europe and America.

Father Gregory Petroff's career as a pulpit orator was one of the most brilliant. He exercised sway over all classes, multitudes thronging to hear him. At one time he was a great favorite at court and frequently led the family worship of the Emperor. Since the beginning of the revolutionary movement he has fallen into disfavor on account of his liberal political views and has been kept under surveillance. Finally, on Jan. 24, 1906, he was condemned by the Holy Synod to three months' interment in a monastery on account of the Christian-Socialistic doctrines advocated in his paper, God's Truth. On March 1, however, he was elected by the Constitutional Democrats to the second Duma.

OUTLOOK IS IMPROVING

TORONTO, Jan. 26.—The outlook for the holders of the Sovereign Bank shares is improving. It is now thought they will realize fifty or sixty per cent. of their investment.

SEIZED BY DETECTIVES

TORONTO, Jan. 26.—Five cases of dry goods, alleged to have been obtained from the W. R. Brock Company by false pretenses by Ephriam Goldberg, have been seized in London by Scotland Yard detectives.

YORK COUNTY BOY'S SIGHT RESTORED

Thanks to the kindness of an observant and thoughtful St. John man, a happy York County youngster who entered the General Public Hospital stone blind a couple of months ago, will leave that institution today with eyes as clear as the best.

Last summer P. Kinsella of this city while driving near Canterbury, nearly ran over a five-year-old lad named Cecil Grant. Finding out that the boy was blind, Mr. Kinsella consulted his parents and easily won their consent to bring him to St. John for examination and operation. About two months ago he was brought here and has been treated since by Dr. Macintosh and Dr. Guy at the hospital, with the result that his eyesight has been perfectly restored. He is going home tomorrow to the grief of the hospital nurses and attendants, who have become very fond of the bright little chap.

MONCTON HAS BRANCH OF BROTHERHOOD OF R. R. EMPLOYES

MONCTON, N. B., Jan. 26.—A branch of the International Brotherhood of Railroad Employes was organized here this afternoon by Robert P. Neil, Boston, international president, and Geo. W. Lane, first international vice-president. A large number of I. C. R. employes were present and the following officers were elected:

President, J. W. Clark; vice-president, Frank A. Smith; secretary treasurer, Orvan Dobson; recording secretary, Michael F. Foran; warden, C. C. Alward; chaplain, A. R. Dobeon; journal correspondent, Frank McCarty; outside sentinel, Jas. R. Bean; past president, Geo. R. Wilson. The meeting was addressed by the international grand officers and others.

MONCTON, N. B., Jan. 26.—The different railway orders here held a meeting last night to nominate candidates for the I. C. R. provident fund board. The election takes place very soon. Employes of the road elect two representatives. Conductor Milledge Thompson was elected at last night's meeting to represent this section. J. H. Stewart, I. C. R. driver, was elected from Moncton on the board last year.

CASTORIA.
Bears the Signature of Chas. H. Fletcher. The Kind You Have Always Bought

DOCTORS FEAR HIS SKULL IS FRACTURED

Kingsclear Man Seriously Injured—Barristers Meet—Deaths

FREDERICTON, N. B., Jan. 26.—The death occurred at Victoria Hospital last evening from scarlet fever of Mrs. Alfred Morehouse of New Zealand station, in the 27th year of her age. The deceased leaves a husband and the remains were today taken to the home. Mrs. Morehouse contracted the fever a week ago and on Friday last underwent an operation from which she failed to rally. On account of the sickness Victoria Hospital was this week put under quarantine and now it will be about ten days before quarantine is raised.

The death occurred today at St Mary's of Thomas Staples, a well known resident of that place, aged 83. For many years the deceased occupied the position of pattern maker in the Gibson Cotton Mills. He leaves a wife and four sons, one of whom, Alfred, resides in St. John. W. Allan Staples, electrician, this city, is a grandson.

The local barristers met here yesterday afternoon, the attendance being large. J. D. Phinney, K.C., presided and R. B. Hanson acted as secretary. It was decided to form a voluntary association and a committee consisting of Messrs. Barry, Gregory, Hughes, Allen and Hanson, was selected to draw up by-laws and a constitution and present the same at a future meeting to be called by the chair.

Harold Perley, E. K. McKay, F. H. Elliott, E. J. Fleetwood, J. R. Miller, all of St. John, arrived here last evening for the purpose of taking the special course at the Infantry School.

The Fredericton curlers have selected the following skips to play against foreign teams on the home ice: Against St. Andrews: Fowler, Hawthorne, Loggie, Randolph, Simmons, Rutter; Thistles: Hawthorne, Allen, Loggie, Fowler, Simmons, Randolph; St. Stephen, Randolph, Hartt, Wilson, MacNutt. The exact dates have not yet been fixed but will probably be this week. These three games will be the first to count in the McCaffrey trophy.

Frank Cliff, a well known resident of Central Kingsclear, met with a serious accident yesterday while carrying a piece of timber. He slipped on the ice, the wood struck him on the head and the doctors fear the skull is fractured.

The clergymen of the Methodist and Baptist churches this evening delivered strong sermons in favor of the Scott Act.

A meeting of the executive of the government party is called for tomorrow evening to form plans for calling a convention.

Major Cropley's condition tonight is critical, and there is no hope of recovery.

SLEEPLESS BABIES ARE SICKLY BABIES

Well babies sleep soundly and wake up brightly. When little ones are restless, sleepless and cross it is the surest sign that they are not well. Probably the stomach or bowels is out of order, or it may be teething troubles. Give Baby's Own Tablets and see how quickly the child grows well and happy and sleeps soundly and naturally. Not the druged sleep of "soothing" medicines, but the natural sleep of health. You have the guarantee of a government analyst that this medicine contains no poisonous opiate or narcotic, and you can give the Tablets just as safely to a new born babe as to the well grown child. Sold by all medicine dealers or by mail at 25 cents a box from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

COUNTRY MARKET.

Wholesale.

Potatoes, per bbl	1 50	"	1 60
Beef, western	0 08½	"	0 09½
Beef, buchers, carcass	0 06	"	0 07½
Beef, country, carcass	0 05	"	0 06
Mutton, per lb	0 08	"	0 09
Lamb	0 11	"	0 12
Pork, per lb	0 07½	"	0 08½
Ham, per lb	0 14	"	0 15
Roll butter, per lb	0 24	"	0 28
Butter, tub, per lb	0 22	"	0 24
Eggs, per dozen	0 25	"	0 26
Turkey, per lb	0 18	"	0 20
Fowl, per pair	0 60	"	1 00
Chickens	0 75	"	1 25
Cabbage, per dozen	0 50	"	0 00
Hides, per lb	0 04	"	0 05
Calf hides, per lb	0 10	"	0 00
Lambskins, each	0 40	"	0 00
Veal, per lb	0 07	"	0 09

Retail.

Roast beef	0 11	"	0 20
Spring Lamb, per lb	0 12	"	0 16
Beef, corned, per lb	0 08	"	0 12
Pork, fresh, per lb	0 15	"	0 00
Steak	0 14	"	0 20
Ham, per lb	0 00	"	0 20
Bacon, per lb	0 18	"	0 20
Tripe, per lb	0 10	"	0 00
Turkey, per lb	0 22	"	0 23
Chickens and fowl, fresh killed	0 75	"	1 75

FISH.

Halibut	0 15	"	0 00
Fresh cod and haddock, per lb	0 05	"	0 07
Finnan haddies	0 09	"	0 00
Boneless cod, per lb	0 12	"	0 00
Medium cod	4 00	"	4 10
Sm'kd herring, per box	0 13	"	0 14
Salt shad, each	0 25	"	0 30
Butter, dairy, rolls	0 32	"	0 34
Butter, tubs	0 28	"	0 30
Lard, per lb	0 16	"	0 18
Eggs, fresh	0 45	"	0 50
Onions, per lb	0 05	"	0 00
Cabbage, each	0 05	"	0 10
Potatoes, new, per peck	0 20	"	0 25
Celery	0 10	"	0 12
Parsley	0 05	"	0 00
Beets, per peck	0 25	"	0 00
Lettuce	0 05	"	0 06
Carrots, per peck	0 25	"	0 00
Squash	0 03	"	0 00
Radish, per bunch	0 05	"	0 00
Eggs, per dozen	0 28	"	0 30
Sausage	0 15	"	0 00

FISH.

Rippling herring, hf-bbls	2 25	"	2 50
Smoked herring	0 13½	"	0 14
Shelburne herring, pr bl	5 00	"	5 25
Haddock, fresh	0 03	"	0 03½
Halibut	0 10	"	0 15
Mackerel	0 30	"	0 00
Codfish, large dry	4 25	"	4 40
Medium	4 25	"	0 00
Cod, small	3 00	"	3 25
Finnan haddies	0 07	"	0 00
Herring, Gd. Manan, hf bbls	2 10	"	2 25
Bay herring, hf bbls.	2 00	"	2 25
Codfish, fresh	0 02½	"	0 03
Pollock	2 75	"	0 00

GROCERIES.

Beef tongue, per lb	0 10	"	0 00
Onions, Can., per bag	1 40	"	0 00
Onions, Spanish, cases, new	2 75	"	3 25
Cheese, per lb	0 14½	"	0 00
Rice, per lb	0 03½	"	0 03¾
Cream of tartar, pure, bbls.	0 19	"	0 20
Cream of tartar, pure, bxs.	0 21	"	0 22
Bicarb soda, per keg	2 10	"	2 20
Sal soda, per lb	0 00½	"	0 01½
Molasses—			
Extra choice, P. R.	0 32	"	0 34
Barbados, choice	0 28	"	0 30
Barbados, fancy	0 28	"	0 30
New Orleans (tierces)	0 00	"	0 00
Sugar—			
Standard granulated, yellow bright, yellow, equalized rates.			
Barbados	0 03½	"	0 03¾
Pulverized sugar	0 06	"	0 07
Tea—			
Congou, per lb, finest	0 22	"	0 24
Congou, per lb, common	0 15	"	0 00
Oolong, per lb	0 38	"	0 40
Coffee—			
Java, per lb, green	0 24	"	0 26
Jamaica, per lb	0 24	"	0 26
Salt—			
Liverpool, ex vessel	0 00	"	0 00
Liverpool, per sack, ex store	0 70	"	0 00
Liverpool butter salt, per bag, factory filled	0 00	"	1 00
Spices—			
Nutmegs, per lb	0 40	"	0 50
Cassia, per lb, ground	0 18	"	0 20
Cloves	0 00	"	0 35
Cloves, ground	0 25	"	0 27
Ginger, ground	0 15	"	0 20
Pepper, ground	0 18	"	0 21
Tobacco—			
Black chewing	0 45	"	0 60
Bright, chewing	0 47	"	0 60
Smoking	0 38	"	0 50

FRUITS, ETC.

Prunes, California	0 07	"	0 09½
Currants, per lb, cl'n'd.	0 07¼	"	0 07½
Currants, per lb	0 07½	"	0 07¾
Apples, evap'td, new	0 09¼	"	0 09¾
Peaches, evap'd, new	0 12	"	0 12
Walnuts, Grenoble	0 14	"	0 15
Brazils	0 15	"	0 15½
Peanuts, roasted	0 11	"	0 13
Almonds	0 13	"	0 14
Filberts	0 12	"	0 13
Pecans	0 17	"	0 00
Dates, lb. pkg	0 06½	"	0 07
Dates, new	0 04½	"	0 05½
Figs, new, per lb	0 09	"	0 16
Figs, bag, per lb	0 04	"	0 05
Seeded raisins, per lb	0 11½	"	0 11¾
Malaga, London layers	1 90	"	2 00
Raisins, Val layers, new	0 06½	"	0 06½
Malaga, clusters	2 75	"	4 00
Malaga, black, baskets	2 60	"	0 00
Malaga, Connoisseur, clusters	3 10	"	3 25
Oranges, Jamaica	4 00	"	4 50
Oranges, Valencia	3 00	"	4 00
Oranges, Cal., Navel	3 25	"	3 75
Raisins, Sultana, new	0 00	"	0 00
Bananas	1 75	"	2 50
Cocoanuts	0 00	"	4 50
Lemons, Messina, per bx	3 00	"	3 50
Apples, per bbl	2 50	"	4 00

PROVISIONS.

American clear pork	20 50	"	21 50
American mess pork	19 50	"	20 00
Pork, domestic	20 50	"	21 00
Plate beef	16 00	"	16 50

FLOUR, ETC.

Manitoba	6 75	"	6 80
Medium Patent	5 65	"	5 70
Canadian	5 75	"	5 80
Cornmeal, bags	1 55	"	1 60
Oatmeal	0 00	"	6 50
Middlings, small lots bagged	28 00	"	30 00
Bran, small lots, bag'd.	27 00	"	28 00
Oats, P. E. I, car lots	0 55	"	0 56

GRAIN, ETC.

Hay, pressed	18 00	"	14 00
Oats (Ont.) car lots	0 53	"	0 55
Oats, small lots	0 55	"	0 58
Beans (Canadian hp)	2 00	"	2 10
Beans, yellow eye	2 90	"	3 00
Split peas	5 50	"	5 50
Pot barley	5 75	"	5 80

OILS.

Pratt's Astral	0 00	"	0 20½
"White Rose" and Chester "A"	0 00	"	0 19½
"High Grade Farnia" and "Archlight"	0 00	"	0 19
Linseed oil, raw, per gal	0 00	"	0 61½
Linseed oil, boiled, per gal	0 00	"	0 64½

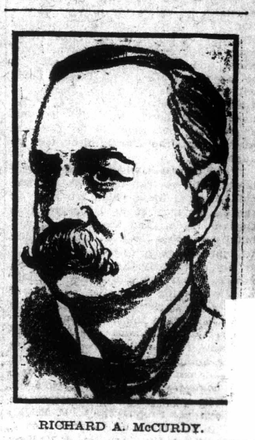
BOSTON, Jan. 25.—The thirteenth annual banquet of the Limerick Mea Club of Boston was held at the American House tonight.

Get acquainted with **Black Watch** the big black plug chewing tobacco. A tremendous favorite everywhere, because of its richness and pleasing flavor. 2266

McCURDY RETURNS TO AMERICAN HOME

Ex-President of Mutual Life Has Retired From Business

NEW YORK, Jan. 25.—After a sojourn of nearly two years in Europe, where he went to recover his health, Richard A. McCurdy, former president of the Mutual Life Insurance Co., returned to this country today on board the Hamburg-American Steamship Amerika. He was accompanied by his wife and his son, Robert H. McCurdy. He declared that he had retired from business and would make no effort to-



RICHARD A. McCURDY.

ward ousting the interests now in control of the company of which he was formerly the head

Mr. McCurdy became ill during the investigation of the insurance companies by the Armstrong Company and with his family retired to Europe to regain his health. On his return today, Mr. McCurdy said:

"I haven't felt better in a long time. Let me say now that it is not true that my purpose in returning is to seek to oust the Peabody interest from the control of the Mutual Life. I am seventy-three years old and I think I am old enough to retire from business. I shall never again take an active hand in affairs.

HON. JAMES BRYCE COMING TO CANADA

May Incidentally Look Into Some International Affairs of Importance

OTTAWA, Jan. 26. — Hon. James Bryce, British ambassador at Washington, who is coming to Canada next week, as a guest of His Excellency the Governor General, at Rideau Hall, and who will also address the Canadian Club of Montreal, is not coming, as has been announced in dispatches from Washington, on behalf of the British government to lay before the government here any large scheme for settlement of all the outstanding matters at issue between Canada and the States, such as the definition of the boundaries, international waterways, fisheries, etc. Mr. Bryce is coming on his annual visit to Canada, and will naturally make use of the occasion to put himself en rapport with Canadian affairs and with the Canadian viewpoint on all matters affecting the Dominion relations with the United States. At the present time there are good prospects of an agreement being reached with regard to the fisheries of the Great Lakes and of the St. Lawrence River along the international boundary. At present owing to lack of uniform regulations these fisheries are being rapidly depleted and the desire of both governments is to effect an arrangement looking to their presentation through adequate joint regulations. Mr. Bryce will discuss with members of the government regulations now under way for the settlement of this question.

In respect to other matters at issue such as the international waterways and the redelimitation of certain parts of boundary, matters remain practically in statu quo.

Phoebe—You would hardly know Freddy since he got back from Monte Carlo. He lost all his money there, and——

Evelyn—Hardly know him! Why, I shan't know him at all.