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### The Nappanee Bank Robbery

The examination of the prisoners charged with the great bank robbery at Nappanee, which to place a year ago, has been proceeding for some time before Magistrate Day, of that town. He has decided, however, that as only a part of them elected to be tried before him, to try none, and the trial will go over to the assizes. The local draws great crowds, but the chief local interest centres in the prisoner Ponton, who was cashier of the robbed bank, who was arrested in the case several months ago and discharged, but lately rearrested. The man who turned Queens evidence deposes that Ponton kept the gang advised from time to time of the amount of money in the bank, and helped them get the safe combination also that they assembled in his lodgings and planned the robbery. His attorney has stated that so far, there is no evidence to implicate him.

### The Hay Crop.

General reports of the hay product throughout the Maritimes indicate that the crop is immense but the quality poor, by reason of the bad weather for making it. In the Annapolis Valley loose hay is selling at \$4.50 to \$5, as against 50 per cent higher prices last August. Considerable grass is still standing, farmers having had to choose between the deterioration in swath and standing after maturity.

### Peace Protocol

The war dogs have been called off, a protocol has been agreed on by the United States and Spain, and Secretary Long has called Admirals Sampson and Dewey and other naval commanders to cease hostilities.

The protocol provides that Spain relinquish all title to Cuba; that Porto Rico and other Spanish islands in the West Indies and an island in the Ladrones be ceded to the U. States; that the U. S. hold Manila pending a peace treaty which shall determine the control of the Philippines; that the U. S. and Spain appoint five commissioners each, to meet in Paris not later than Oct. 11 to negotiate a treaty of peace.

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