

YOUNG BELGIAN'S STURDY LOYALTY

Dr. Beland Relates Story of Young Hero Who Knew no Flag but Belgium's.

Montreal, Feb. 7.—Hon. Dr. Beland recently released from Germany, after over three years a prisoner, in an address given here the other day, related an interesting anecdote in connection with his long period of captivity. A young Belgian is the hero of the tale, and, despite the fact that he had been drafted into the German army, steadfastly remained loyal to the country of his birth.

The lad, Edward Vermer, Dr. Beland relates, after the occupation of Belgium by the Germans, was summoned by the German officials to report in Berlin for military service. He refused the command; another came, and this, too, he spurned. He had already taken the oath of allegiance to his native country and his blood would be shed only in her defence. But at his mother's urgent request he finally presented himself at the capital. The Germans who were in the city at that time, he says, were not at all impressed with the youth's attitude. They were, however, somewhat impressed by the fact that he had not only refused to accept the German uniform, but had also refused to wear the German cap. He was, however, ordered to wear a uniform of the German army, and he did so. After serving out his sentence there he was sent to Holzminden, and, according to Dr. Beland, "the next I heard of him he had escaped from Holzminden. Via wa, fighting for his mother country on the Belgian front."

Before the war the young Belgian had been employed by the C. P. R. in their Antwerp offices, and spoke French, Flemish, German, and English.

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GREAT BOLSHEVIK ARMY READY TO SWEEP OVER POLAND

Active Bolshevik Operations Are Reported in the Region of Prush Where Many Depredations Have Been Committed—Black Plague Raging in Kovel.

Warsaw, Monday, Feb. 3.—(By the Associated Press)—General Shoptitsky, chief of the Polish general staff, says it will be necessary for the Poles to take to the field in order to prevent, if possible, bandits from burning her chateau, and destroying the crops. She declares that a great many other Polish women have remained on their estates believing that they were discharging their duty to Poland in resisting the Bolshevik to the last minute.

When Bolshevik troops reached her estate they attempted to capture the Countess, but she escaped on a German troop train. She says that the Bolsheviks are well armed and announced that they are going to invade Poland with a great army. She said that she had seen the Bolshevik army at Pinsk and that she had seen them burn all their victims of their clothes and burn all their clothes they are unable to use themselves. She reports that some German soldiers are joining the Bolshevik.

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BRIDE MEETS DEAD HUSBAND

Returned Portland, Me. Spouse Upsets Supposed Widow's Second Venture.

Portland, Me., Feb. 7.—When the petition for the annulment of the marriage of Nathan Marcus and Anna Virginia Carabelle Nilson of this city was filed in the superior court today a strange marital tangle was revealed. Marcus and Mrs. Nilson were married Jan. 3 by City Clerk Frank B. V. Welch. The woman stated that she was a widow in the marriage intention, and was wedded under the belief that her former husband, John Nilson, was dead.

Three days after the marriage ceremony, Mr. and Mrs. Marcus came face to face with the supposedly dead husband as they were walking through Monument Square. The bride screamed and nearly collapsed. Explanations were made and a good natured conference ensued which resulted in Mrs. Marcus separating from her second husband and seeking legal advice.

The bride, however, was prostrated and took to her bed for a week. All three are about the same age, ranging from 33 to 35. The husband went away five years ago to take up a job on bridge construction, that being his vocation. He did not communicate frequently with his wife.

About a year ago she heard from a reliable source, in her opinion, that John Nilson was dead. She went to New York and his relatives in that city, where he had been employed, confirmed the story.

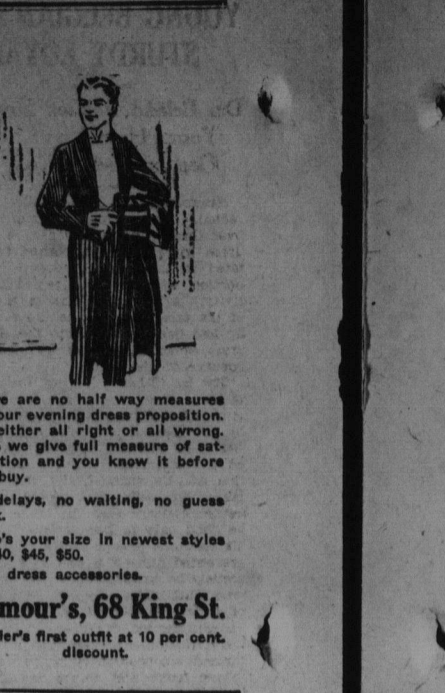
PUTS ONE OVER ON HIS JAILER

Thefts and Escapes Specialties of This Law-breaker.

Montreal, Feb. 7.—Theft and escape from within the very arms of the law seems to be a specialty with a prisoner, who was before the court here the other day, and his cleverness in eluding justice, temporarily at least, is not without audaciousness as well. Arraigned in the dock for theft of a scidler's overcoat, the prisoner was just about to be sentenced by the Judge. According to the custom of the court, the accused, along with two or three other prisoners, was introduced into the dock. The custom, although odd, has on more than one occasion led to confusion as to the particular prisoner being tried, for the words "prisoner in the dock" might apply to one or the other of the delinquents. But this feature of the procedure appealed immensely to the imagination of the prisoner, with a penchant for dodging cells, and he made the most of the opportunity.

One prisoner beside him in the dock had been disposed of, and the door of the dock swung open for him to retire across the corridor to the cell, and, while to the average prisoner whom the forbidding atmosphere of a court room inspires with dread, the incident would have meant little, however, to the take-chance prisoner, and he spent opportunity with big letters, and, as his fellow-prisoner was led out, he dropped slowly below the level of the walls of the dock, crept cautiously into the dark corridor, managed to mingle with the crowd, and in a few minutes was out in the open air, a free bird once more, before spectators, lawyers or guards noticed his exit from the dock.

The dodge was simple in itself, but decidedly audacious. However, the said prisoner had already been convicted in another city eight times for theft, and five times had become a fugitive from justice, and, arguing that what had succeeded in another place was worth trying here, he followed his line of reasoning and went while the going was good.



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THE WEATHER.

Maritime—Northerly winds, fair, much change in temperature.

Washington, Feb. 7.—New England: Saturday and Sunday: little snow in temperature; gentle to moderate shifting winds.

Toronto, Feb. 7.—There has been a little change in the general atmospheric conditions in the past twenty-four hours. The temperature continues below zero in the west, and is moderate from Ontario eastward.

	Min.	Max.
Prince Rupert	32	42
Vancouver	30	42
Victoria	30	44
Kamloops	12	30
Calgary	4	32
Edmonton	16	34
Winnipeg	12	30
Saskatoon	12	30
Regina	12	30
Prince Albert	28	38
Moose Jaw	14	24
Winnipeg	14	24
Port Arthur	0	22
Salt Ste. Marie	14	24
Parry Sound	16	26
London	12	30
Toronto	18	32
Kingston	24	34
Montreal	16	24
Quebec	16	26
Halifax	22	36

DISTILLERS ARE GETTING BUSY

Will Keep an Eagle Eye on Parliament—Will Present Plans for Handling Liquor Traffic.

Ottawa, Feb. 7.—The Canadian Distillers have launched a counter offensive against the forces for total prohibition. With the prospect of a one day Canada staring them in the face, they have sent a representative to Ottawa to watch parliament during the "critical" period of the coming five or six months, and declare that they are "opposed" to legislation which has for its object, directly or indirectly, the reestablishment of the public drinking bar, they are proposing an alternative policy, their alternative policy is in brief, that a drink traffic be made respectable. The distillers declare that the process have the right to make their own liquor restrictive methods and an alternative policy they propose is as follows:

That each province be divided into zones; that at the head of each zone there be appointed a government factor; and that under his supervision distillers and agents of distillers be licensed to sell liquor. An applicant for liquor would have to apply to his own zone. His order would have to be placed with the firm or agent manufacturing the liquor required, and his order would be sent to him without recourse to the middleman. Any man abusing this privilege could be blacklisted and cut off from further supply. The advantages which the distillers claim for this alternative policy are as follows:

1. By dealing direct with the distiller the consumer would be protected from adulteration.
2. The securing of lower prices by the elimination of middlemen.
3. The abolition of bootlegging.
4. Effective control of liquor consumption and greater respect for the law.
5. Preservation of the essential nature of the various temperance acts.

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QUEBEC SPRINGS NEW LEGISLATION

Introducing Bill to Prevent Cousins from Marrying—Urged by Clergy.

Montreal, Feb. 7.—Some very interesting legislation was brought down in the Provincial House this week. One of those was a bill introduced by Mr. J. N. Francoeur, M.L.A., which has as its aim the restricting of cousinly affection to purely consanguine affection, that is as regards first cousins, and to curb the tendency of cousinly amatories going to the extent of matrimonial compacts. In bringing in the bill its sponsor said that he had done so at the request of a number of the clergy and physicians who pointed out the large number of mentally deficient born of marriages between first cousins.

While the object of the legislation is admitted by many as warranting its passage by the legislature, Sir Lomer Gouin, the Premier, in the legislative assembly gave the members the opinion of the law officers of the province that the bill is unconstitutional. However, as the father of the bill wanted to lay the facts before the Public Bills Committee and have the matter discussed, second reading was given the proposed measure.

A minimum wage scale for women workers of the province is another of

COMMITTED ON CHARGE OF BIGAMY

Returned Soldier Discovered With One Too Many Wives.

Brandon, Man., Feb. 7.—James Levy Monahan, alias John Leo Monahan, charged with bigamy, was committed for trial at the police court this afternoon. Monahan, it is alleged, and the magistrate considered there were sufficient evidence to commit, married Mary McLeod, of Charlottetown, P.E.I., in 1915, and went through the form of marriage with Lena Smith in Brandon, October 19, 1918. After his first marriage he went overseas. On his return he came west. He has been undergoing treatment at the sanitarium at Ninette and came from there to Brandon, where the second ceremony took place.

granted to Dawson MacKendrick. Kenneth A. Wilson is proctor.

In the estate of Isaac Duffy letters testamentary were granted to Lydia Duffy. Real estate was valued at \$3,500 and personal at \$600. Dr. J. B. Baxter is proctor.

PROBATE COURT.

In probate court yesterday in the matter of the estate of Mrs. Charlotte E. Pender letters testamentary were granted to J. Vance Pender and Mrs. Ethel May Bailie. Real estate was valued at \$3,000 and personal at \$4,575. Barnhill, Ewing and Sanford are proctors.

In the estate of Foster D. Hoffman letters of administration were granted to his wife Grace Moll. Hoffman. Kenneth A. Wilson is proctor.

In the estate of Harold B. MacKendrick, letters of administration were

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 - \$10.00 Kid Lace Boots. Sizes 6, 6 1/2, 7, 7 1/2, 8, 8 1/2, 9. . . . \$5.50
 - \$8.50 Calf Leather Blucher Bala. Sizes 7, 7 1/2, 8. . . . \$5.50
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- WOMEN'S WALK-OVERS.**
- \$11.00 Gray Kid Lace Boots. Sizes 4, 4 1/2, 5, 5 1/2, 6, 6 1/2. . . . \$6.50
 - \$12.50 Brown Kid Lace Boots. Sizes 4, 4 1/2, 5, 5 1/2, 6, 6 1/2. . . . \$8.50
 - \$15.00 Brown Kid Button Boots. Sizes 4, 4 1/2, 5, 5 1/2, 6, 6 1/2. . . . \$8.50
 - \$10.00 Black Kid Lace Boots. Nearly all sizes. . . . \$6.00
 - \$10.00 Black Kid Button Boots. Nearly all sizes. . . . \$6.50
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 - Men's \$6.00 Calf Blucher Bala. Sizes 6 1/2, 7, 7 1/2, 8 1/2, 9. . . . \$3.50
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 - Boys' \$5.50 Calf Blucher Bala. Sizes 2, 3, 4, 5. . . . \$3.50
 - Women's \$5.50 Overshoes. Sizes 2 1/2, 3, 3 1/2, 4. . . . \$1.50
 - Women's \$12.50 Gray Kid Lace Boots. Nearly all sizes \$8.50
 - Women's \$8.50 Fawn Buck Oxford. Nearly all sizes. \$4.50
 - Women's \$5.50 Dull Calf and Patent Pumps. Sizes 2 1/2, 3, 3 1/2, 4. . . . \$2.75
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QUEBEC FINES WERE TRAVESTIES

The Five Dollars Punishment Imposed on Defaulters Called a "Miscarriage of Justice."

Toronto, Ont., Feb. 7.—That the five-dollar fines imposed in Quebec City on defaulters constituted leniency which was unauthorized by the Government, and that the department concerned would correct "this miscarriage of justice," was the opinion given today by C. L. Wilson, Ontario registrar under the Military Service Act.

"The result of prosecutions, which have been conducted in Ontario by the Dominion police under the supervision of this office, indicate the impression of the Government to see that substantial justice is done in the case of every offender against the Military Service Act," he said.

ENJOYED SLEIGH DRIVE.

Over fifty boys and girls of the High School enjoyed a two-hour sleigh drive along the Loch Lomond road last night and, returning, were treated to a warm luncheon at the Y. M. C. A. Following the lunch came songs and group games on the gym floor, all enjoying a most entertaining evening.

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