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THE LATE MINISTER

Arrival of Hon. R. Prefontaine's Remains

SERVICE ON THE DOMINION

Procession to the I. C. R. Station by Train to Montreal

HALIFAX, Jan. 22.—Silently, unheralded by the citadel guns the big battleship Dominion entered the harbor this morning bearing her yet more silent burden, the body of the late Hon. Mr. Prefontaine. The morning papers announced that the ship would come up at 10 o'clock and it was considerably earlier than that when the hundreds of expectant people on the wharf were first able to detach her fine outlines from the veil of gray fog she herself in color. Bearing her dead she came quietly in, and her course was watched and her splendid bulk noted admiringly by those gathered along the water front. The battleship went direct to the dockyard pier. Hundreds of people were by this time gathered in the dockyard exclusive of those present to give the battleship on this, its first mission since its construction, recognition.

The singing of the solemn Libera, at which His Grace Archbishop O'Brien officiated, immediately preceded the landing of the body.

A few minutes past twelve o'clock the booming of guns announced that the second stage in the funeral journey had begun. Simultaneously the first bars of the Dead March in Saul, played by the band of the battleship Dominion, were heard and the ten tars from the battleship bearing the casket came down the gangway, the marines forming a guard of honor. Upon the casket rested entwined the Dominion ensign and the Union Jack, together with two magnificent wreaths. Heads were bared as the silent burden was placed upon the gun carriage and drawn by sailors from the cruiser Canada began the funeral journey. The streets were lined for the entire route with soldiers and sailors, and thousands of people watched in grave silence the procession to the station. The casket was weighed with magnificent floral tributes, including one of special beauty, which was carried by blue-jackets. Among others noted were the following: Two wreaths, officers of the battleship Dominion. Wreath, the Lieut. Governor of Nova Scotia; wreath with anchor and crown and the word "Canada" inscribed in flowers across it, Marine and Fisheries department, Halifax; anchor, crossed by gun, Captain and officers of the cruiser Canada; wreath, the Imperial Order of Daughters of the Empire.

The body was deposited on a raised platform in the centre of the mortuary car, which was draped in black and violet. Promptly at one o'clock the funeral train left for Montreal and the last stage in the homeward journey was begun.

Among those accompanying the remains are: Colonel Goudreau, Commander Spain, the late Minister's sons, I. L. Perron, T. Prefontaine, J. B. Rolland, E. Parent, Mr. E. Bears, Colonel Talbot, M. P. T. Cote, Col. Sherwood, Captain Newton, (A. D. C. to Governor General), Dr. McIntyre and H. Julian, of Montreal Star; David Pottinger, Lt. Jones, representing Lieut. Gov. Jones, A. Johnson, M. P. Capt. Knowlton, of Canada, Colonel Biggar, C. A. Dansereau, of La Presse; Lawrence A. Wilson, Hon. Mr. Turgeon.

Along the route to city hall were thousands of citizens and a great crowd had gathered in front of the building. The council chamber was draped in black, yellow and purple and was a veritable bower of flowers. The casket was placed on a bier immediately in front of a dais formed by means of the Mayor's chair, with the inscription, "Requiescat in pace," immediately above.

The body will lie in state today and will be continuously in charge of relays from the 5th Royal Scots. The funeral will take place on Thursday morning to St. James cathedral and thence to the cemetery at Cote Desneiges.

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FROZEN TO DEATH.

Fate of Two Mounted Policemen in the Yukon Country

Vancouver, B. C., Jan. 24.—A Dawson special says fears are entertained that the Northwest Mounted Policemen, Cater and Atkinson, who started over the glacier trail to search for the missing teamster, Demery, have been frozen to death. The temperature is 65 below zero.

As P. Atkinson, son of Mr. Chas. Atkinson, I. C. R. driver, of Moncton, is a mounted policeman in the Yukon, fears are entertained that he may be the man alluded to in above despatch.

Four officers of the battleship Dominion who will be invited to attend the funeral. Assistant Passenger Agent Lambkin

MONCTON, N. B., Jan. 22.—With a right of way over every other train on the railway system, the special, bearing the body of the late Hon. R. P. Prefontaine will arrive at Moncton this evening at 5:25 o'clock, and the run to Montreal will be made in the same time as occupied by the Marine express—2 1/2 hours. The train, which left Halifax at noon, has two locomotives, and the body is in car 759; the tourist car is occupied by the guard of honour which accompanies the body. There are also three official cars, four sleeping cars and a dining car. The private cars contain the Minister of Railways, the Minister of Finance and the sons and relatives of the deceased. A number of prominent Canadians and government officials also accompany the body.

FUNERAL TODAY

MONTRAL, Jan. 24.—The special train from Halifax, bearing Hon. Mr. Prefontaine's body, arrived at Bonaventure station last night at 8 o'clock and now all that is mortal of the lamentable minister lies in state in the city council chamber at City Hall where for several years he presided as chief magistrate.

An immense crowd gathered at the station to pay token of respect to one who was known by almost every citizen from Maisonneuve to Hochelaga. The police with great difficulty kept the crowd from completely blocking the approaches. The train was an hour late and another setback of three-quarters of an hour was caused by delay of the train bringing the Government party from Ottawa. As soon as Sir Wilfrid Laurier and his ministers arrived the casket was borne down the long platform by blue-jackets from the battleship Dominion and deposited in a hearse standing under guard of soldiery at the main entrance.

Following the casket came many prominent citizens, deputations from city council, political clubs, etc., and Sir Wilfrid Laurier, Hon. Messrs. Aylesworth, Brodeur, Patterson, Fisher, Emmerson, Lemieux and Scott.

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PECULIAR CASE.

Kate Smith Arrested for Drunkenness

PUTS UP CLEVER DEFENCE

Informed Police Magistrate that she is not "a Person."

(St. John Times, 22nd.)

Consternation and amusement were evidenced this morning in the police court among the spectators when Kate Smith, who on Saturday was arrested for drunkenness, was allowed to go free on the strength of her plea that the bye-law which dealt with drunkards did not apply to her, inasmuch as, according to the learned judges of the supreme court at Fredericton, a woman was not "a person" within the meaning of the act.

Kate Smith is a resident of Sheffield street, and on Saturday last she applied to the bar for admission, and being admitted, became intoxicated. Later on in the day two burly policemen, Officers Ire Perry and James Ross, found that the said Kate Smith had prepared too strong a case at the bar, and accordingly placed her under arrest.

While on her way to the police station the prisoner started the officers by saying in a drowsy but yet audible tone, "I'm not a person and you can't soak me." The officers thought subsequently, however, that the statement was merely a passing fancy, and little dreamed that they had a prisoner whose ingenuity was going to win for her everlasting fame among the citizens of St. John, and in fact among all classes of people who were to learn of the case.

This morning there was a goodly number of spectators in court, and Kate Smith was the last prisoner who was to receive the attention of the Cadi. The clerk of the court, Mr. Henderson, was summoned by the prisoner to the place where she sat on the prisoner's bench. There was a hurried consultation between the two, in which the prisoner did all the talking. Finally Judge Ritchie stated to the prisoner that she was charged with being drunk. Then the important case started.

Mr. Henderson, addressing the court stated that the female prisoner had informed him that she had intended putting forth a plea herself. She said that she had read the case of Miss Mabel French, the young lady who had applied for admission to the bar, but who had been refused on the ground that the learned judges of the supreme court at Fredericton had decided that a woman was not "a person", and consequently she was of the opinion that she could not be fined or imprisoned for drunkenness. Mr. Henderson stated that the prisoner had informed him that on Saturday, while intoxicated, she had resolved to put forth the foregoing plea, but this morning when sober she told him that she had not the nerve to do it herself, so she decided to request the clerk of the court to present her case for her.

This startling information being given one spectator looked at another in wonderment, another whispered something to another, and finally there was a titter throughout the court. The learned judge, however, did not smile, he scratched his head and grasped the volume containing the city's bye-laws. In a few moments the magistrate read the eighth section of the bye-law, which was as follows:—"Any person who shall be found

drunk or feigning to be drunk or making any loud bawling, yelling, screaming, singing, or shouting in any public street, thoroughfare, alley, road or bye-road, shall be fined," etc.

That done, the judge asked the prisoner if any person had told her to put forth that plea, and she replied in the negative. The magistrate then stated to her that she had taken a very clever point, and that on account of her ingenuity he would give her the benefit of the doubt, and could do nothing else save allow her the freedom of the city. With a smile of triumph the prisoner left the court to go to relate her grand success to her friends and companions.

This decision having been given by Judge Ritchie, people are now asking the question, "How many females will be admitted to the bar to-night and henceforth?"

In giving his decision, however, the judge said that he would give Kate Smith the benefit of the doubt—by which, as will be readily understood, his honor means that he is doubtful about the correctness of the decision by the learned judges of the supreme court when they decided that a woman was not a "person", and consequently the judge may not in the future abide by the decision of the learned judges.

Should female drunkards be fined by the magistrates they can, however, as the latter stated this morning, appeal their cases and his decisions in female cases may be over-ruled.

HOCKEY.

Two Interesting Games Played this Week

The match between the Royal Hotel team and All Dalhousie played in open-air rink on Monday night resulted in a victory for the former score 6-2. The game was interesting as some of the players on both sides had never before played hockey and some had not been skating for several years.

The following is the line up of the teams:

DALHOUSIE Goal: W. C. Hildon. Point: V. B. Scott. Left Wing: Dr. Price. Centre: R. Burden. Right Wing: W. S. Williams. Goalie: C. W. Ainslow.

ROYAL HOTEL Goal: W. C. Hildon. Point: V. B. Scott. Left Wing: Dr. Price. Centre: R. Burden. Right Wing: W. S. Williams. Goalie: C. W. Ainslow.

Geo. Miles acted as referee and his decisions showed no partiality. The visiting team was entertained at Sharp's Restaurant after the game.

The hockey game last night between the Merchants and I. C. R. resulted in a victory for the former score 5-3. There was considerable rough checking and some of the players "went over the fence" quite frequently but altogether the game was good. W. C. Hitchon acted as referee and dealt fairly with all. C. F. Clare and Art O'Keefe were time keepers.

The following is the line up of the teams:—

MERCHANTS Goal: S. Clark-Joblet. Point: J. T. Mowat. Left Wing: E. Blight. Centre: J. J. McCarroll. Right Wing: W. Ferguson. Goalie: W. Marquis.

I. C. R. Goal: E. Murphy. Point: T. Marquis. Left Wing: G. Eyles. Centre: S. H. Cook. Right Wing: B. Burden. Goalie: D. O'Keefe.

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