

VICTIM OF JUSTICE DEAD

Adolf Beck The Principal In Remarkable Miscarriage Of Justice Passes Away Destitute.

London, Dec. 20.—Adolf Beck, the victim of one of the most remarkable miscarriages of justice in modern times, is dead in the Middlesex Hospital from bronchitis and pneumonia. He was destitute.

The story of Beck's wrongful imprisonment stirred so much public comment and indignation five years ago that it earned him the name of the "English Dreyfus."

He was born in Norway, but spent a considerable part of his life in England on business connected with the mining industry. In 1895 he was arrested on a charge of defrauding women, and was sentenced at the Old Bailey in the following year to seven years' penal servitude.

Again Arrested. He served five years and a half, protesting his innocence all the while and was released; then, however, he was arrested again in 1904 on a similar charge. Again he was convicted but, provisionally for him, Mr. Justice Grantham deferred his sentence and while he was in custody awaiting his second committal to prison another man was arrested on a similar charge and happened to pass in front of him.

The man was not his double; this was the strangest part of the case, for Beck had been identified by several women who claimed to be his victims, but the stranger walked like Beck, and had a small scar on his face which several of the women said they remembered.

This almost miraculous chance meeting of the two men saved Beck a further term in prison and cleared his name. The haunting yet elusive likeness between the men induced Inspector Kane to begin exhaustive police inquiries, which proved beyond doubt that Beck had suffered for the crimes of another man.

He was granted a "free pardon" which established his innocence; but his business had been ruined, and in consideration of this he was offered a "solutum" of £2,000 by the Treasury.

Public indignation and sympathy had been aroused, however, by his case that the solutum was on every hand pronounced insufficient, and he was finally awarded £3,000. Since receiving his award he lived in comparative seclusion, never regaining the health which he lost during his undesired imprisonment.

WAR NOT OVER IN SENIOR HOCKEY YET Montreal, Que., Dec. 20.—This morning the All-Montreal team held a practice and before the end of the week it is expected that the Ottawa Metropolitan will be sufficiently organized to commence preparations for the season's work.

Scores of rumors are still floating about regarding the club's and players in both professional leagues, but nothing of a definite character has so far been announced.

Freddy Moser, who will play for All-Montreal reported yesterday, did Marks, of Berlin; Cochrane, another professional from the Ontario league; Fred Porey, who played in Pittsburgh last winter, and Tyro of Lancaster are here. Kane, who played on the Montreal lacrosse team last summer, has also been out to practice today.

Ross states that he counts on Poulin the Winnipeg player, reported to be signed by the Canadiens.

Pitre, who has signed contracts with both National and Canadiens, was notified on Saturday that a practice was being held, and that he was expected to turn out. As expected, Pitre did not turn out. The next step it is stated will be an injunction to restrain him from playing with any other club, and this step may be taken today. A similar course will be taken with regard to other players, who have signed first with the Nationals and then with some one else. Pitre was singled out for this reason that he was first of the players known definitely as under contract to two clubs.

WOODSTOCK MAN A POSSIBLE SUICIDE

Douglas McAdam Disappears from Home Leaving Good-bye Note — Love and Hard Luck His Story.

Woodstock, N. B., Dec. 20.—Douglas McAdam, about 20 years of age, son of John McAdam, a carpenter, whose home is in Fredericton, and who had been staying at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. J. McIntosh, in this town, for the last few days, left home on Sunday and has not yet returned. He left the following note: "I have been thinking of suicide for some time now. I cannot get work, and besides I am in love with a girl in this town who does not love me. These two things are just about set me crazy, so I am going to end it all tonight. Good-bye, — Douglas McAdam." The young man had been working at different occupations for the past five years in this vicinity, and was possessed of a peculiar disposition. The matter was placed in the hands of the town marshal, but no clue has yet been obtained of his whereabouts. Helen Roberts, aged one year, and only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Welch, of this town, died suddenly on Sunday morning of heart trouble.

PHILADELPHIA HAS SHIRTWAIST STRIKE

Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 20.—More than 7,000 of the 12,000 shirtwaist operators in this city went on strike today. About 20 firms are affected. Many of the employers are willing to grant all the demands of the strikers except the recognition of their union. Although the strikers deny that they intend picketing those on strike a number were ordered tonight to go to the places where they were employed tomorrow to find out how many of the girls are at work and to report the number to the strike headquarters. Rose Pastor Stokes is expected here in a few days to conduct a campaign among the wealthy women of this city in behalf of the strikers.

RAILWAY EMPLOYEES SUCCEED IN DEMANDS

Easton, Pa., Dec. 20.—Officials of the Lehigh Valley R. R. Company announced today that an agreement satisfactory to the men has been entered into with the locomotive engineers on the system extending from Jersey City to Buffalo. The passenger engineers running between Jersey City and Easton are to receive an increase of sixty cents a trip, making the pay for the trip \$5.60. One dollar is to be added to the pay of the engineers between Easton and Sayre, making the pay \$15 instead of \$14 for the trip. The pusher engine men will receive \$3.75 for a ten-hour day instead of \$2.50 for a day of twelve and a half hours.

THOMAS A. EDISON IS HONORED BY FRIENDS

New York, Dec. 20.—Thomas A. Edison, forsaking his multitudinous "business" and the complex intricacies of his laboratory at West Orange, N. J., attended at the Hotel Plaza, his first dinner for a number of years past. He joined a number of moving picture manufacturers who desired at once to pay him tribute as the pioneer in the field and to signalize the completion of their first twelve months of peace after a protracted period of costly litigation.

A silver trophy depicting a Greek procession of victory was given Mr. Edison by his associates, who also exposed a special film as a record of the dinner.

CURTIS NOT INCLUDED IN AWARDS HONORS

Paris, Dec. 20.—At its final meeting of the Academy of Science tonight announced that medals for aeronautical achievement will be awarded as follows: Gold—Wilbur and Orville Wright, Hierarchy, Farmington, Conn.; De Lambert, Latham, Santos Dumont, De la Vanik, Voisin and Count Zeppelin; enamel, Brumet, Paulhan, De la Grauge, Rougier and Esnault Pelterie.

LIFE OF RICHARD PARR THREATENED BY SUGAR

New York, N. Y., Dec. 20.—Threats of death by poison and by violence against Richard Parr, the special treasury agent, who unearthed the sugar frauds of the Williamsburg Docks of the American Sugar Refining Company, are contained in a letter given out by him tonight and received on December 11. The letter follows: "The editor of the Sun died suddenly. Some prominent men in the customs died suddenly. You have been taken suddenly ill. Beware of poison. (Signed) SUGAR."

Mr. Parr was indeed taken suddenly ill during the recent trial of six former employees of the company, a day or two before the letter was written. His illness was supposed to be an affection of the nerves.

Making Plans For Empire Festival

London To Have Greatest Pageant Since Diamond Jubilee—Celebration Will Open At Crystal Palace On Empire Day—Britain's Over-Sea Dominions To Take Leading Part—Local Government Asked To Co-operate.

The nations throughout the world that form the great British Empire will next summer assemble in London to take part in the Festival of Empire which is expected to be the greatest pageant since the Diamond Jubilee of Victoria the Good. All the Overseas Dominions will be well represented. The Governor General of Canada and Countess Grey are among the vice-presidents of the council having the matter in hand.

A communication has been received by the Local Government which had been sent by Lord Plymouth, chairman of the council, to the agent general for New Brunswick in London informing him that Lord Strathcona had forwarded to the Government a request for help in arranging a court at the festival to represent Canada and stating that the council would be grateful to accept any help in furthering the general scheme which he might be able to give. The matter will probably be considered by the Local Government at their next meeting.

Preparations Well Advanced. Preparations for the festival have been in progress for some time in Great Britain as well as in the Overseas Dominions and arrangements are now complete by which the whole of the Crystal Palace with its 200 acres of grounds will be taken over for the celebration which will commence on Empire Day, May 24, 1910, and will continue for three months.

The Festival of Empire will be a picturesque and artistic as well as an educational and social gathering. The palace will be divided into courts in which will be displayed exhibitions of interest representing the different countries of the Empire. These will be arranged in the way of illustrated histories. Portraits of the founders of the colonies and of the leading politicians and other great men

will be on exhibition, and there will be panoramic views of the leading cities of the Empire and moving pictures to give an idea of the industries as well as the scenery.

Lectures on the Empire and on the different nations under the British Crown will be frequently given, free of charge, by statesmen and historians. These are expected to be of great patriotic and educational value. An art exhibition of the works of modern artists from all parts of the Empire is being arranged for as well as a number of loan exhibitions, including portraits, paintings, engravings, etc., of general interest. Concerts will also be held in which artists from distant parts of the Empire will take part.

The Pageant of London. The most interesting feature, however, will take place in a great amphitheatre to be built in the grounds after designs by Sir Aston Webb, R. A. Here will be represented the Pageant of London, a comedy of the Empire, by some 15,000 performers from all parts of the metropolis. Contingents will be sent from the Overseas Dominions to take part in the closing scenes. A committee of historians with Mr. Laurence Gomme, F. R. A., as chairman, while the music and art in connection with the pageant will be in charge of committees with Sir Walter Parratt, the King's musician and Sir Edward Poynter, president of the Royal Academy, at their head. Mr. Frank Lascelles who produced the pageant last summer at Quebec, will be in charge of the pageant. The military scenes will have the assistance of Earl Roberts, K. C. V. C.

The proceeds after payment of expenses will be donated to King Edward's Hospital Fund.

REV. S. W. ANTHONY TO 'WED' HIS PARENTS' GOLDEN WEDDING

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Anthony Celebrate Event By Reunion With Their Eight Sons And Four Daughters.

To have the opportunity of celebrating their golden wedding in good health and surrounded by a family of eight boys and four girls, all of whom are grown up and married is the good fortune of few, but such is the lot of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Anthony, of Selma, Hants county, N. S., one of whose sons, Rev. S. W. Anthony, pastor of the Congregational church in the city, leaves next Monday accompanied by his wife and children, to be present at the family reunion which will take place in connection with the fiftieth anniversary of his parents' marriage.

Mr. Andrew Anthony had been engaged for many years in the shipping and lumber business at Selma and three of his sons work with him. Another son is head of the Anthony Lumber Co. at Shelburne, N. S. Three of the sons have succeeded in the United States, two of them are mechanical engineers in Connecticut and the third is secretary of a stock exchange in the Empire State Ice association of New York. Rev. S. W. Anthony is pastor of the Congregational church here, and is highly thought of by his congregation and brother ministers. The four married daughters, Mrs. and Mrs. Anthony all live in Hants county.

Rev. Mr. Anthony and his wife and children will probably be absent two weeks.

FREDERICTON DIVORCEE HAS MARRIED AGAIN

Mrs. Sadie Belle Harris Who Figured in Recent Divorce the Bride of Wealthy New Yorker.

Fredericton, Dec. 20.—The wedding of Mrs. Sadie Belle Harris, who was recently granted a divorce, in the New Brunswick court here, and Andrew Devine, Jr., of New York, took place recently.

The first word of the wedding was received here a day or two ago, but Mrs. Harris, most of her intimate friends denied any knowledge of her wedding to Mr. Devine. One of them said that he understood Mrs. Harris was engaged, or about engaged, to wed a wealthy young St. John business man, F. H. Peters, who was Mrs. Harris' lawyer in her divorce case, was finally interviewed for his corroboration of the report, but he declined to enter client's marriage, and while unwilling to give out any information, he admitted that he understood Mrs. Harris had been married to Mr. Andrew Devine, Jr., and that she had moved from Brighton, Mass., to New York to reside. It is said that Mr. Devine is wealthy and that he and his bride are residing in a fashionable apartment house in New York, but that nobody here seems to know anything about him.

Mrs. Devine when here was in the limelight more or less of patrician society. A beautiful young woman, now only 23 years old, she had married when a mere child to Walter Harris of this city, who was then a lighthouse keeper in Nova Scotia, and their child was the storm centre in an abduction that was sensational in the extreme, the mother driving away at midnight, with child and trunk across the border. Then followed her divorce case and now comes her wedding. Mrs. Harris got her divorce all right, but the divorce has not yet been issued from the court.

been in the government employ as an inspector of dredging. For a long time Capt. Coholan was one of the Port Wardens. He was a member of the Irish Literary and Benevolent Society for a long period. Capt. Coholan is survived by his wife.

Mrs. Jane Ingraham. Many friends in St. John and elsewhere throughout the province will learn with regret of the death at St. Martins on Saturday of Mrs. Jane Ingraham, one of the best known women in the province. Mrs. Ingraham, who had reached the advanced age of 78 years, had been ill for some time and lately pneumonia developed and it became evident the end was near. The deceased was a Miss Pawcett, of Hotheyay, and for upwards of twenty-five years had conducted a hotel at St. Martins and was particularly well known to the travelling public and occupied a unique place in the life of St. Martins. Her husband was the late Mr. William Ingraham. The deceased is survived by her sister, Mrs. James Morrow, St. Martins. Mrs. Ingraham in her life amassed considerable property and it is believed has left a substantial estate.

DEATHS. Lee.—At rest on the 19th inst. Fanny M. Lee, beloved wife of Charles H. Lee, Esq., manager of the End Branch of the Bank of New Brunswick.

Notice of funeral hereafter. Mrs. Elizabeth Kee, widow of William Kee, in the 77th year of her age, leaving three sons and one daughter. Notice of funeral hereafter.

GLoucester Schooner HAS PERILOUS TRIP

Dora A. Lawson Wrecked Entering Canso Harbor After Eventful Season's Fishing—Crew Rescued With Difficulty

Special to The Standard. Halifax, N. S., Dec. 20.—That the crews of fishing vessels off the Nova Scotia coast endure terrible hardships during the winter season was shown today by the loss of the Gloucester, Mass., schooner Dora A. Lawson. The schooner had been on the banks for several weeks and four days ago was ready to return home with 90,000 pounds of fish, when she sprang a leak. Canso was the nearest harbor, so Captain Wilson shaped his course for that port. Night and day the seventeen members of the crew kept at the pumps, but the water gained great headway and when Canso was sighted the vessel was almost covered by water. A snowstorm set in and it was with great difficulty that harbor was reached and while going up to a wharf the schooner ran hard and fast on Grass Island shoals. It was with the greatest difficulty that the crew was rescued.

SALOON KEEPER IN COBALT FRAUDS NOW

George C. Barber, Well Known In Athletic Circles, Arrested Yesterday In Connection With Fraud Disclosures.

Special to The Standard. Toronto, Ont., Dec. 20.—The arrest of George C. Barber of "Ye Old Country Inn" Cobalt, one of the best known saloons in town makes the eleventh in connection with the robbing cases. Barber is a South African veteran and has a record in Cobalt sporting circles as an athletic keeper. The saloon man complain that he has been stolon each year of \$1,000,000 since the camp opened. It is said that Barber figures on the Wilkinson books at Nelson and that it is alleged that he came to Toronto under that name several times with ore.

Two members of the alleged gang H. A. Vanwinkle and John H. McHall of Cobalt, Ont., were arrested before Magistrate Denison this morning. H. P. Badstener of Cobalt appeared on the information as complainant. A plea of not guilty and that a jury election were put in on behalf of the prisoners. They were remanded until the 27th.

LYNCH TAKES UP THE REINS OF NEW OFFICE

New York, N. Y., Dec. 20.—Thomas J. Lynch, the new president of the National League, assumed his duties today, but requested that the baseball public give him time to acquaint himself with the details of his position before making any statements about his future plans. All that Lynch would say was that he was in favor of upholding the umpires in their decisions and that he was glad he is to have the co-operation of John Heydler.

That the election of Lynch to the presidency is not entirely restored harmonious relations between the National and American Leagues is evidenced by the statement given out tonight by John M. Ward, who was the candidate for those opposed to the re-election of John Heydler against the attitude of B. B. Johnson, president of the American League. Mr. Ward said:

"The election of Mr. Lynch as president of the National League, was a happy solution of the situation. He was a capable umpire and is a high class man. He has a mind of his own and will have something to say about the business of the National Commission. With him as a member of that body, the baseball interests of the country may rest assured that their affairs will not be conducted in barrooms and cafes."

MILLSTREAM. Millstream, Dec. 20.—A number of residents of this and the surrounding vicinity visited St. John the first of last week for the purpose of attending the sale of horses imported by the Government, and all agree that the horses were an exceptional good lot, and the price was reasonable. These are the kind of horses needed by the farmers.

Christmas is drawing near and the prospects at present point to the fact that we will have no snow, although the roads are in very good condition, having become now quite smooth. It is now the blackest of the year, as after one day's drive the horse has to be taken to the shop again.

Our school, which has been under the care of Miss E. McKnight, closed Thursday.

We are sorry that we have to report that Dr. E. M. Brundage, who is going to the Canadian West to practice medicine, has relinquished his very extensive practice in this place. As the time for his departure arrived he was kept busy day and night. On the eve of his departure a few of his many friends gathered in his residence and the ladies presented him with a handsome Bible, the gentleman with a servicable leather dress suit case accompanied by an address. The doctor will be missed, as he was the poor as well as the rich man's doctor. We hear that he has arrived in Chicago where he will spend some time before proceeding to the West.

Lumbering has begun in earnest and there promises to be a large number of logs along the Millstream this season. Our local butchers, E. R. Falkins and W. S. Mason, were in P. E. Island last week buying stock. They report that pork, oats and poultry of all kinds are plentiful on the island.

MONTREAL SALOON MEN GIVEN BLACK EYE

Council Passes Second Reading Of Bill Shortening Hours—Saloon Men Up In Arms Against Action.

Montreal, Que., Dec. 20.—By a vote of 29 to 9 the city council today adopted the second reading of the by-law introduced by Alderman Carter which proposes to close saloons at 10 o'clock at night on every day of the week on which they may legally be open with the exception of Saturday when they are to be closed at seven o'clock. The result of today's vote left the saloon men paralyzed, the vote being so emphatically against them. There are those who say that the voters of some of the aldermen are meant as a substantial argument in favor of liberal contributions to their campaign funds in the coming civic elections. All the aldermen who are in favor of the by-law are not above suspicion in this regard, as some of them are named in Judge Cannon's report as having profited in the past from the contributions of saloon keepers. The saloon men complain that the by-law is unfair inasmuch as it does not close down licensed grocers who are allowed to sell as long as they like. The by-law will come up for its third reading at the next meeting of the council.

SHELDON STILL UNABLE TO FACE CHARGES

New York, Dec. 20.—Five banks in which George P. Sheldon, deposed president of the Phoenix Insurance Company (fire) of Brooklyn, carried personal accounts, have been served with writs of attachment aggregating \$12,500. This amount makes up the advances of salary which the state insurance department says were paid to Mr. Sheldon before his removal, and the company now seeks to recover. Mr. Sheldon is still at his home in Greenwich, Conn., too ill to plead to the indictment for grand larceny, found against him here by the grand jury.

JUSTICE DEMANDED IN RECENT PASS FRAUDS

Truro Citizen Points Out That Principals in Recent Disclosures Are Still Enjoying Unmolested Fruits of Frauds.

(Truro Citizen). What about that I. R. C. pass fraud business into which the public was given a slight peep not long since? Nothing has been heard about the matter for several weeks. Is the board of management, is the minister of Railways, is the Government and is Parliament going to let it drop at that? Conductors are dismissed from the service, branded as dishonest, on the report of "spotters," whom they are not permitted to face. Poor men and poor boys are arrested, fined or sent to jail for taking a bit of coal from the I. R. C. premises to keep themselves and others of their families from freezing during severe cold weather. People are fined for, through ignorance, trespassing on I. R. C. property, but when it comes to punishing those who, it is openly stated, defrauded the road out of a large sum of money by stealing passes and tickets and disposing of them at "skipping" prices, some person whose duty it is to enforce the law in the matter takes a snook. Perhaps if the poor people who take coal would sell it they might not be punished, or perhaps if they had a pull with the powers that be they would not be fined or jailed. The Citizen is not particularly anxious to see any person punished; all it asks is that justice be done to rich and poor, those with a pull and those without a pull alike. Let there be justice though the Heavens fall!

DAMAGE TO GEORGIA REPORTED TO BE SMALL

Washington, D. C., Dec. 20.—An estimate that \$250,000 would suffice to repair the injury suffered by the Georgia in her collision with the collier Vestal was received at the navy department from the officers who examined the battleship after she had been placed in the drydock at Norfolk, Va., today.

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