A MAN'S HONOR THE STAKE.

THE BACCARAT CASE CONTINUED IN THE LONDON COURT.

A Guardsman Who Never Quitted Under Fire, and Yesterday Faced Worse Than Bullets When Sir Charles Russell Commenced His Address for the Defendants—Was Gordon Cumming Guilty of Cheating?

LONDON, June 3.—The baccarat trial was continued to-day before the Queen's Bench Division of Her Majesty's High Court of Justice. There was the usual large attendance of fashionable people.

General opinion seemed to be that the heir apparent, disgusted with his experience of yesterday, would find some excuse which would enable him to escape any further attendance in court, but the Prince of Wales, accompanied by his private secretary, Sir Francis Knollys, entered the court in better condition, it would seem, than upon the occasions of his two previous visits, bowing and smiling to the audience assembled, who respectfully rose to their feet as the jovial heir apparent appeared. As he drew near the bench the Prince bowed to the Lord Chief Justice and to the ladies on the latter's right, and then after a quick glance around the court, in which he seemed to take in everything, he settled himself down comfortably in the red velvet arm chair on the Chief Justice's left, wiped his bald spot tenderly with a white handkerchief, settled the creases of his clothes with a gentle hand, adjusted his necktie carefully and was prepared for the business of the day.

Sir Charles for the Defence.

Sir Charles Russell, leading counsel for the defendants, slowly arose from his seat, bowed to the Lord Chief Justice, to the members of the bar and to the ladies and commenced his address on behalf of his clients. Sir Charles said his clients had been much against their wishes compelled to take the course they had adopted. There were nine persons concerned in this "melancholy" business, continued Sir Charles, all of whom have known the plaintiff, Sir William Gordon Cumming, for years. The plaintiff admitted, he said, that his accusers were acting conscientiously in the matter, and the jury would find it impossible to believe that these persons were mistaken in regard to the character of the plaintiff's conduct on the nights of April 8 and 9, 1890. The plaintiff had admitted that they were all persons of honor and honesty, and having made the charges they adhered to them and the plaintiff had not asked to be confronted with either of his accusers. The objection to secrecy came from Lycette Green, who asked that the matter be "threshed out then and there."

The plaintiff, continued Sir Charles Russell, had signed a degrading, humiliating document and he did not take steps to bring his slanderers to justice. Then he turned upon those who had been quite prepared to keep their agreement, though in their eyes he was a dishonored man, and now how about three principal actors and the plaintiff's action in regard to them? Do you, gentlemen of the jury, doubt that the plaintiff knew that each of those gentlemen believed him guilty? He knew that in their eyes he was no longer in the category of honorable men. Is it conceivable that an innocent man under such circumstances should bear such burden upon him. The defendants will tell the jury that their mouths remained closed on this matter on January 7, 1891, four months after the eventful baccarat game at Tranby Croft. When Sir William Gordon Cumming made an attempt through Messrs. Lycette, one of the witnesses, to secure a modification or a withdrawal of the charges, the defendants then said they were prepared to substantiate the charges which they had made.

The "Peculiar Circumstances."

Sir Charles Russell laid special stress upon the "peculiar circumstances" under which the action was brought and referred to an interview which Sir William Gordon Cumming had with Lieut. Levett, who was a subaltern in the plaintiff's regiment, and who being asked by Sir William to do what he could with Sir Arthur Wilson in regard to the baccarat scandal, replied that he could not disbelieve his own eyes, though he added that he would gladly do anything for the sake of Sir William and for the sake of the regiment to which they belonged. The plaintiff's conduct, Sir Charles Russell continued, at no stage of this distressing story has been the conduct of an innocent and honorable man. So innocent and honorable men would have lain quiet under the charges made against plaintiff, or asked the confidences which the plaintiff signed.

...Charles dilated upon the prominence and character of the Tranby Croft party and the mild character of the baccarat games played there, saying, "One of the satisfactory results of this case has been the disposition of the absurd and preposterous notions which have been formed in regard to the occurrences at Tranby Croft. At the request of Sir Charles Russell models of the whist tables used that night at Tranby Croft for playing baccarat, with the positions of the players especially marked upon them, were produced. Sir Charles also caused the jury to be shown photographs of the rooms at Tranby Croft where the games were played. The juryman examined these exhibits with a great deal of care, asked questions about the tables, the positions of players, etc, etc.

Sir Charles Russell also dwelt upon the intricacies of baccarat and explained to the jury that from the positions which the players occupied it was utterly impossible for the witnesses to be mistaken as to the conduct with which Sir William Gordon Cumming was charged.

Followed With Interest.

The Prince of Wales and Sir William Gordon Cumming followed Sir Charles Russell's speech with deep interest. The various jurist made a severe and cutting denunciation of the plaintiff, asking the jury signatory if the first cry of an innocent man charged with cheating at cards would not be, "Where are my accusers? Bring them face to face with me." In describing the events which took place in Mrs. Arthur Wilson's apartments at Tranby Croft, Sir Charles Russell said Arthur Stanley Wilson had witnessed repeated acts of cheating upon the part of Cumming, and that when Wilson turned to Berkley Levett and whispered, "Cumming is cheating," Levett replied, "Nonsense, you are mad."

"But," added Sir Charles, "Berkley Levett after receiving this communication paid more attention to the game, watched Cumming's play and saw for himself that which Wilson had said was true. After the play was over Wilson told his mother, Mrs. Arthur Wilson, and Mr. and Mrs. Lycett Green of what he had seen while Cumming was playing, but they agreed on the following night to play for baccarat playing a properly-marked table, within a time far beyond which the player's stake must be placed." Continuing, Sir Charles Russell said: "The pieces which had been drawn up in regard to the baccarat scandal that the plaintiff should be watched. Beyond the marked table, however, there was no concert of action of any kind, but all who knew the story of the previous days play and Cummings' actions on the latter repeat the actions complained of."

The Defense.

Arthur Stanley Wilson, son of the millionaire owner of Tranby Croft and the leading stockholder in the Wilson line of steamers, entered the witness box as the first witness for the defence. Mr. Wilson testified to the fact that on the first night of the baccarat playing at Tranby Croft, Sept. 8, he saw a red counter representing £5 or counter of paper in front of Cumming.

When the latter's tableau won Sir William had his hand in front of him and he also had another £5 counter in the palm of his right hand. The baccarat, according to witness, then looked at Sir Edward Somerset's hand, and seeing that he held a natural and a court card he (Sir William) dropped the £5 counter from his right hand, and was paid on both of the counters he had thus placed on the table.

This evidence caused a great sensation. Wilson said he saw the same thing repeated by Cumming the same evening, and he then told Levett that the baccarat was

what he had observed Levett said it was "impossible," that the witness was too mistaken. Wilson told Levett to watch Sir William. Levett followed his advice, and he also saw the baronet cheat in the manner described. Levett upon being informed by personal observation by what Wilson said was true, exclaimed, "This is too hot."

An Indignant Novice.

Witness was indignant when asked if he was not a novice in the game of baccarat. Wilson replied that he had played the game often before the notorious games at Tranby Croft, and claimed to thoroughly understand the game in all its details. Continuing, Wilson said he saw Cumming cheat again. The baronet had a £5 counter on the table and directly he discovered that the card turned up was favorable to him he pushed a £5 counter forward with a pencil, which he held in his hand, and was then he told the latter of what he had seen when Levett exclaimed: "My God! to think of this. The witness then detailed previous Levett in the latter's bedroom, saying that when he told the latter of what he had seen Levett exclaimed: "My God! to think of this." He witness then again took a sheet and some of his counters on the table. He had four counters in the breast pocket of his dress coat.

The plaintiff added the witness had a long whist carpenter's pencil in his hand. This pencil the words "Tranby Croft" were stamped. Cumming staked a £5 counter and the Prince of Wales gave cards to Lady Coventry, who took a seven, which was considered a good card from the pack. The plaintiff looked over Lady Coventry's hand and the witness then saw Sir William's hand go out and gradually advance the white line marked on the baccarat table. It then came round to the Prince of Wales' turn to take a card and, he took one and said, "I am baccarat," the card being laid immediately upon hearing this Cumming pushed over the line a £10 counter. The plaintiff's tableau won had the Prince of Wales paid him a fiver (£5 note), overlooking the other counter, which the plaintiff had pushed over the line. Thereupon Cumming exclaimed, "Beg pardon, sir, there is another tenner here which you have forgotten." The Prince of Wales saying, "I wish you would put your stakes forward more conspicuously," paid the additional £10. "Later in the game," said the witness, "Cumming flicked another counter over the line with his pencil. When the disclosure was made, the Prince of Wales questioned Cumming. Levett and Lycett Green in regard to what they had seen of a wrong nature during the baccarat playing, and Green asked to be confronted with the plaintiff."

During his cross-examination Wilson said baccarat was played at Tranby Croft in 1889, "but father objected to it and it was not played there again until upon the occasion of the Prince of Wales' visit in September, 1890."

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City Jottings

The street railway award appeal came up in Osgoode Hall yesterday, but was again adjourned for convenience of counsel.

During the first two days of the month 21 new cases have been admitted to the Hospital. The number is unusually large, considering that nearly all were medical cases.

Jessie Banks, a colored woman, who has made Riverside Park her home for some time was locked up in Wilton-avenue police station last night on a charge of vagrancy.

H. A. Hirsch and G. F. Uswinder of Birmingham, Eng., James King of Sarnia and Alex. Milroy of Montreal were visitors at the Board of Trade yesterday.

Mr. C. T. Long, son of Mr. Thomas Long of Jarvis street, is out as a candidate for the representation of St. Thomas' Ward on the Separate School Board.

A council meeting of the Canadian Institute was held in their building, Richmond-st., yesterday afternoon. An extension to the building was discussed as some length, but nothing definite was done.

Beaver L.O.L. 911 met in Prospect Park Hall Tuesday night. Owing to the unavoidable absence of the W.M. Bro. J. Gordon, D.M., presided. There was one initiation and one application received.

The council of West Toronto Junction held a meeting yesterday afternoon. The agreement with the Davenport Street Railway Company was ratified. It was practically the same as that come to at the last meeting.

That well-known orator Mr. William Clow, late of Colborne-street, has opened up the new dining hall in connection with Hart's Hotel, corner of Front and Jarvis-streets, and invites all his old friends and customers to pay him a visit.

At the last meeting of the council Ald. Gowanlock charged that for the past three weeks he saw men idling morning and evening at the King-street subway for lack of material to work with. Yesterday the City Engineer in a letter to the Board of Works denied the truth of the alderman's assertion.

Members of Seaton Lodge 328 A.O.U.W. celebrated the first anniversary of its institution Tuesday evening by holding a highly successful at home at their commodious quarters at Bathurst and Bloor-streets. Among the many prominent members of the order present were D.D.G.M. John E. Winnett, James R. Dunn and D. C. Forbes. This lodge is now in a very prosperous condition.

Mr. C. C. James, M.A., President of the Chemistry at the Ontario Agricultural College, Guelph, has been appointed Deputy Minister of Agriculture and chief of the Bureau of Statistics for Ontario. He succeeds Mr. Archibald Blue, who is now chief of the Mining Bureau. Mr. A. B. Shuttleworth of Charlottetown, P.E.I., has been appointed to the vacant professorship of chemistry in the Agricultural College.

St. John's Lodge A.F. & A.M. held their regular meeting Monday evening, when the following members were elected for the ensuing year: John Ewis, W.M.; C. A. Matthews, S.W.; J. B. Young, J.W.; J. King, chaplain; W. Eastwood, treasurer; H. J. Hamilton, secretary; J. Marchildon and T. J. Berryman, trustees; J. H. Pritchard, and T. J. Berryman, tyler. The attendance was very large, so taking part in the election, which was very keen and contested with the best of feeling.

An old Toronto railway man in the person Fort Hope to Miss Gertrude Saunders, a handsome young lady of that pretty town. Mr. Noble is now railway conductor on the C.P.R., with headquarters at Medicine Hat. Mr. and Mrs. Noble arrived in Toronto last night and will go on to the Northwest today. Mr. H. J. Craig, fond agent of the G.T.R., Toronto, acted as best man, and Miss Louise Sanders as bridesmaid.

A very pleasing event took place yesterday afternoon in Grace Church. The occasion was the marriage of John S. Barber of the United Revenue Department to Miss Jennie Best, daughter of Thomas Best. The Rev. J. P. Lewis, assisted by Rev. C. C. Kemp, officiated. The bride wore a traveling costume and carried a bouquet of white roses. The bridesmaid was her niece, Miss Mabel Best. The groom was attended by Charles Heath. At the conclusion of the ceremony a reception and wedding breakfast was held at the residence of the bride's father, 33 Murray-street, after which Mr. and Mrs. Barber left for an extended wedding tour in England.

"Government and Socialism."

The West End Single Tax Association held a meeting last evening, when speeches were addressed by Dr. Augusta Knauff of Philadelphia and Mr. MacCorquodale, a local light. The latter took to the floor first and seemed determined to hold it against all comers. He addressed us principally, but traveled through the extensive field of Nationalism and Socialism, gave the politicians of both parties a gentle drubbing and resumed his seat after receiving a gentle reminder from the chairman. Dr. Augusta Knauff, a lady of mid-dling height, pleasing features and a form inclined to embonpoint—on "Government and Socialism" was in many respects in direct opposition to that previously delivered. It was brief, logical and to the point. After a general discussion, in which several of those present took part, the meeting dispersed.

The Secretary's Story.

For the past two days a convention of "The King's Daughters and Sons" has been going on in the Elm-street Methodist Church. Representatives were present from Hamilton, London and other points. Much business of importance to the order was transacted.

Last evening's meeting, the last of the series, was addressed by Mrs. Isabella C. Davis of New York. Being secretary of the order she is thoroughly conversant with its workings and told its story in an hour's address, touched with pathos and humor, and delivered with no small amount of eloquence.

CLUB DOCTORING CONDEMNED.

President Moorhouse Says it is Demoralizing and Degrading.

The Ontario Medical Association opened its 11th annual meeting yesterday.

President Moorhouse, London, was in the chair.

The President introduced to the association Dr. N. Senn of Chicago, Professor of Surgery in Rush Medical College—one of this year's guests of the association.

A telegram from Dr. Powell, Ottawa, one of the Vice-Presidents, was received, regretting his inability to leave the bedside of Sir John A. Macdonald.

The annual discussion in surgery was opened by a paper on "The Cause and Treatment of Carcinoma," by Dr. A. Teskey, Toronto. The paper was ably discussed by Dr. J. Wishart of London, Dr. Groves of Fergus and Dr. Senn of Chicago.

Senator Sullivan, of Kingston, was introduced and took a seat on the platform. H. Mynter of Buffalo, Dr. Weigel of Rochester, delegates from the New York State Medical Society, and Dr. H. Mickle, Buffalo, member by invitation, were also introduced and asked to take seats on the platform.

Dr. William Oldright presented a case exemplifying "Senn's Decalcified Bonefilling." Dr. Senn and others spoke of this. The President delivered a highly interesting inaugural address, speaking of the history of medicine, tracing it from the time of Hippocrates and Galen and showing how these founders of medicine had made investigations and expressed opinions which had hardly been improved upon to the present day. The salient points in the history of the profession were then touched upon briefly. Coming to the present time Dr. Moorhouse spoke of the high standing of the profession in Ontario clue almost entirely to the united and earnest efforts of the Medical Council. In his concluding remarks Dr. Moorhouse expressed his strong disapprobation of club practice. The medical profession already was a large disgrace of charity and contract practice is demoralizing and degrading to those who engage in it. The question of the necessity for a medical defence union was touched upon and the establishment urged as a protection against unjust suits for malpractice. That the Ontario Medical Library was in a flourishing condition and rapidly filling a want in the province was referred to with pleasure, and the reader urged that a museum should be established in connection therewith. The address was received with applause.

Dr. A. A. Macdonald introduced to the president Dr. Howard A. Kelly of Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, a guest of the association at the meeting. He was cordially received by the association.

Dr. Senn of Chicago then read a paper on the treatment of intussusception.

Papers were read and discussed by: Dr. Mynter, Buffalo; Dr. Bingham, Toronto; Dr. Burt, Paris; Dr. Holmes, Chatham.

The medical section assembled in the Council Chamber. Dr. Eakins of Belleville was elected chairman and Dr. Thistle of Toronto secretary. Papers were read and discussed by Dr. J. E. Graham, Toronto; Dr. Arnott, London; Dr. Milman, Toronto; Dr. H. W. Bruce Smith, Seaforth.

The Hon. Dr. Sullivan of Kingston addressed the association for a few minutes on Dr. Senn's paper. Dr. Senn, Chicago, demonstrated before the members his methods of treating intussusception by means of good things. The Evening Quartet interpret an interesting act entitled "Wash Day," which is greeted with applause. John Manning in his new departure in eccentric comedy pleases the audience. Ed. and May Bryant as Irish character artists introduce songs, funny sayings, etc. William Gume is a pleasing female impersonator. Ollie C. Hall, late of Cleveland's Minstrels, renders latest selections of the day and is a baritone vocalist.

The City Engineer has been instructed to call for tenders for a cedar block and stone set roadway in Bloor-street, Clinton to Shaw.

"Woman Against Woman," the best melodrama of the season, is pleasing the patrons of the popular Jacobs & Sparrow's Opera House this week. The great secretary of the order is a thoroughly conversant with its usual manner to-day. "Woman Against Woman" will be the last entertainment of this season at this favorite house.

Chewing the Cud in the Cells.

Conjugal felicity does not reign in the home of John Miller of No. 6 Paterson-place. Yesterday John and his wife Mary quarreled. From words they came to blows. Not considering his fist persuasive enough Miller picked up a tumbler and struck his wife a vicious blow in the forehead, inflicting a gash which extended from the eyebrows to the crown of the head. John administered upon his cowardly conduct in Wilton-avenue Police Station.

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