

SHOCKING TRAGEDY IN A NORTH SHORE VILLAGE LEGISLATURE PROPOSED KILLS TWO CHILDREN WITH HER A WO'PT SALUTE AFTER A BUSY SESSION AXE, AND THEN SUICIDES THE STARS AND STRIPES

Lieut. Gov. Wood Gives Assent to Bill for Aid to Valley Railway.

DUGAL LEAVES FOR HOME SUDDENLY.

Hundred and Two Bills Were Passed—Lieut. Governor Congratulates Members on Work Accomplished During Session.

Special to The Standard. Fredericton, April 19.—The second session of the sixth legislature of New Brunswick was prorogued on Saturday afternoon by Lieut. Governor Wood.

The usual ceremonies marked the prorogation, His Honor being accompanied by Major A. C. B. Hamilton Gray, A. D. C., and Mr. Williams Cruikshank, while Sheriff Howe of York County and Dr. B. M. Mullin, coroner, were also in attendance.

Hundred and Two Bills Passed.

The session had lasted for seven weeks and a half. During that time house records show that 117 bills were entered, fifteen were withdrawn and 102 passed. Of this latter number twenty-two were assented to on Saturday afternoon by Governor Wood, the list including that providing for the St. John Valley Railway. His Honor also formally notified the house of his receipt of the address asking for the appointment of royal commissions in accordance with the provisions of bills which had been passed. These bills were given their third reading when house met on Saturday morning.

Some amendments to the bill to provide for the investigation of timber limits charges were proposed by Mr. Carvell, one of the Northumberland Independents. These amendments were in accord with those, if not precisely the same, which F. B. Carvell, M. P., the "man behind" the charges, had been busily proposing and then to show the real position which the Northumberland Independents now occupy in the house.

Has Dugal Rebelled?

Mr. Dugal, opposition leader, who was taken suddenly ill following the grilling he underwent Friday afternoon, did not show in Friday evening and was then reported by his "board of advisers" as being ill at his hotel but he packed his grip and returned to his home in Edmundston. It was currently reported about the house that Mr. Dugal had rebuffed the Carvell combination and the home disgusted with himself and the Carvellian methods of political warfare. In fact, the attorney general valued the collusion existing between Mr. Stewart and Mr. Carvell when he told the house that he had previously had presented to him copies of the amendment to which the Northumberland member was then moving.

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TO BEGIN WORK ON THE GREAT WATERWAYS BY.

Construction to Start This Spring—New Railways Into Northern Alberta Will Open Rich Territory.

Winnipeg, Man., April 19.—In the course of an interview J. D. McArthur, the well known railway constructor, stated that steel had been laid from Edmonton to Lesser Slave Lake, a distance of 150 miles. Mr. McArthur gave out details of the Edmonton, Duvegan and British Columbia railway that is opening an inland empire thousands of square miles in extent. He also announced that work would commence this spring on the great waterways railway to Fort McMurray, northeast of Edmonton a distance of 300 miles. This line to Duvegan and British Columbia will extend 400 miles into the very heart of the Peace River district, where the settlers are reported to be pouring in.

"We have completed the line to Lesser Slave Lake," said Mr. McArthur. "We will reach the Smoky river, one of the larger tributaries of the Peace River, this fall, and the road will be completed to the British Columbia boundary line in the fall of 1915. We are already operating under construction the first division of 131 miles to the new town of Smith at the crossing of the Athabasca river. The Dominion government has had the country surveyed and there are thousands of homesteads available between Smith and the British Columbia boundary, and even beyond that point.

"We are going to commence work on the Great Waterways railway this spring and will put 1,500 men to work on that line just as soon as conditions permit. The two new railway lines that Mr. McArthur is constructing into Northern Alberta will tap 150,000 square miles of virgin territory through which run several broad navigable streams that will give access to the country for settlement. There are at least fourteen thousand homesteads open in view of the recent racial difficulties being found, and there is copious coal and iron ore. Some of the coal fields are said to be thirty miles square with seams six to fourteen feet in thickness.

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Park Sobey, Seized Suddenly with Homicidal Mania, Brutally Murders Two Children of Neill Mullin, in Village of Protectionville.

THREATENS LIFE OF MOTHER AND OTHER CHILDREN AND THEN ATTACKS FATHER

Both Victims Terribly Mutilated and Bodies Concealed in Closet—After Crime Murderer went to Camp in Woods and Put Rifle Bullet Through His Head.

Special to The Standard

A case of double murder which, but for an accident, would have been triple or quadruple followed by the slayer's suicide occurred in the village of Protectionville, some nine miles from Newcastle, between five and six o'clock yesterday afternoon. Park Sobey killed two of Neill Mullin's children with an axe and attacked Neill Mullin with the same weapon but failed to do more than wound him. Finally, about seven o'clock, Sobey shot himself. He was twenty-three years old and unmarried. All parties belong to Protectionville and were friends. No cause for the tragedy is known, but a sudden homicidal mania is presumed.

Sobey was addicted to alcohol and had many times got into trouble with his neighbors. He had frequently attacked others and was considered a dangerous man. Last fall he held up two little boys of Newcastle and drew a knife upon them when a team came along enabling the boys to escape. A week ago he assaulted Patrick Connell of Newcastle upon the Cape. A week ago he assaulted Patrick Connell of Newcastle upon the Cape. A week ago he assaulted Patrick Connell of Newcastle upon the Cape. A week ago he assaulted Patrick Connell of Newcastle upon the Cape.

KILLED CHILDREN WITH AXE AND HID BODIES

When Mullin reached home he gave some candy to his children and then went to the barn to put up his horse, leaving Sobey in the yard. Two of the Mullin children, Alfred and Ernest, ran out with it laughing and sat down on a plank alongside an outhouse. They were never again seen alive. The mania coming up on Sobey, he seized an axe, killed the two boys and hid their bodies in the closet. He then entered the house, seized Mullin's rifle and threatened Mrs. Mullin, whose two smaller children were with her. She did not then know what had happened her eldest two. She begged for her life and got hold of the rifle.

ATTEMPTED TO MURDER HIS FATHER

The maniac suddenly dropped the rifle, left her, and seized the axe and made for the barn. He struck Neill Mullin, who was bending down and did not see him, a savage blow from behind which would have split his body in two had the blow not caught on a beam before it dropped between Mullin's neck and shoulder. Mullin grappled with Sobey, received a slight wound in the other shoulder and took the axe away from him. Sobey ran across the road to the post office kept by Lemuel Fletcher, who was absent, broke a window, seized Fletcher's rifle and after ransacking the place for cartridges started for his camp, about two miles further west.

MOTHER FIND CORPSES OF LITTLE ONES.

Meantime Mrs. Mullin had found corpses of her two children, and Mullin exhausted by bleeding had fainted. As soon as she saw Sobey leave Fletcher's she went for help. She met some children who went for John Mullin, who started for Newcastle for Dr. Nicholson, reaching here about eight o'clock, and giving the first report of the tragedy, there being no telephone between here and there. Dr. Nicholson reached Mullin's about ten o'clock and dressed Mullin's wounds. The patient is expected to recover. The main cut, was three inches wide but not deep.

HEAD FRIGHTFULLY MUTILATED.

The oldest boy had a piece nearly cut off top of head, another cut in centre right over forehead; a third over the top of his head, and a fourth on the side of the top of the head, all four exposing the brain, also a cut through the chest just below the collar bone to the left. The second boy had three deep cuts on the head, one to the right of the eyes, one in the centre of the forehead, and one on the top towards the right side. The two younger children escaped unhurt.

FOUND MURDERER A SUICIDE.

Deputy Sheriff Wm. Irving and Provincial Constable Adam Dickson started about nine o'clock to arrest the slayer. About eight miles from town they met messengers with the news that Sobey had suicided. They proceeded to Mullin's which they reached at eleven o'clock, they pushed conscious and heard his version of the tragedy. With guides they moved on to Sobey's home, which they had finally reached there shortly after midnight. Sobey was dead in his bed, a rifle and revolver with him and a rifle bullet hole through his head. The corpse was cold and stiff. The body had been found several hours before by the suicide's brother who carefully reconnoitering the camp saw him in bed with the rifle muzzle close to his head. Thinking him asleep he silently seized the rifle and then tried to awaken him but he was dead. The constables were not needed.

Coroner Desmond, of Newcastle, will hold an inquest tomorrow forenoon it is thought that Sobey had intended to fortify himself in his camp and sell his life dearly, but when the full horror of his position dawned upon him, he took the easiest way out.

Postmaster Fletcher is being congratulated upon being absent when Sobey in his frenzy invaded his office as Fletcher is an old man, and what would have happened Mrs. Mullin and her remaining children had her husband been slain is too horrible to think of. Many townsmen did not sleep till four o'clock this morning when the returning constables brought news of the tragedy's bloody and sensational end.

According to later reports it now appears that after Sobey had attacked Mullin, Mullin got the upper hand and not knowing his children were gone let Sobey go, at his wife's entreaty. Then Sobey went to Fletcher's and got a gun and returned to attack the woman. All that saved her was that the rifle had no cartridge. He then went and got a second rifle but Mullin got it away from him too. Then Sobey went home where he had rifles stored. Neill Mullin had settled yesterday with Burchill for the winter's lumbering and thinks Sobey's motive may have been robbery.

HON. H. F. McLEOD FEARS NO CHARGES THAT CAN BE MADE

Special to The Standard. Ottawa, Ont., April 19. "I fear no charges that can be made," said Hon. H. F. McLeod, M. P., for York, N. B., formerly provincial secretary of the Fleming government, whose name has been mentioned in connection with the charges brought against the Premier of New Brunswick by L. A. Dugal.

"The man does not live," said he, "who can show that in the conduct of any office in the New Brunswick government I ever profited wrongfully by a single dollar. I have no details of the charge, but my record being clean I laugh at any parties attempt to injure me."

HAVEN'T CONSIDERED A SUCCESSOR TO LORD STRATHCONA

Won't Be Dealt With Till After Session—Hon. Geo. H. Perley Mentioned, But Not Likely to Accept.

Special to The Standard. Ottawa, April 19.—Rumors connecting the name of Hon. George H. Perley and other prominent Canadians with the High Commissionership in London are absolutely without foundation. The Standard is assured that the matter has never been considered and will not be discussed by Mr. Borden and his ministers until after the present session of parliament.

While Mr. Perley is disqualified in the meantime because he does not possess imperial citizenship that is a matter which could easily be arranged for. It is not considered likely here that Mr. Perley will be the next commissioner, although few men are better fitted for such a position, and probably he would only have to intimate his desire in order to get the appointment. However, it is not thought that he has any desire for the position.

FIVE YEARS SENTENCE FOR STEALING FURS

Murder Charge Against Indian a Simple Assault—Twelve Days in Jail and Keep Peace for Month.

Quebec, April 19.—Five years in the penitentiary was the sentence meted out by Judge Gervais in the criminal court on Saturday to Paul Vincent Morgan, alias Lemieux, found guilty of the theft of furs from the store of L'Heureux and Gauvin, in St. Roche, in January, 1913.

John Sahaynez, the Indian who was indicted for attempted murder, the charge having been reduced to simple assault by the jury who heard his trial was given twelve days, but during this period he must find security in the amount of \$1,000 to keep the peace for one month, or in default of this to serve three months more.

MUNICIPAL DEADLOCK IN MONTREAL BROKEN

Montreal, April 18.—The Montreal municipal deadlock is broken. The four members of the board of control in consequence of the withdrawal of the demand for a recount, will be sworn in Tuesday, and immediately afterwards the board will hold its first meeting. When a mass of business that has been accumulating for the past few days will be disposed of, the four contractors to take the oath of office on Tuesday are Messrs. Thomas Cote, E. N. Hebert, J. Ainey and Duncan McDonald.

ANOTHER STORM IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS

Disestablishment Bill Comes Up for Second Reading Today—Strenuous Opposition is Assured.

London, April 20.—The atmosphere of the House of Commons promises to be rather more aggressive this week than last. The Welsh Church Disestablishment bill reaches second reading on its third passage through parliament today, and the measure comes only second to the Home Rule bill in the amount of bitterness it has stirred up and the strenuous resistance which the opposition is offering to its passage.

The rejection of the bill on second reading will be moved in the Commons by Lord Robert Cecil, M.P., an extremely high churchman, after whom a strong line of speakers on both sides will be heard, including Bonar Law, Mr. Balfour and Lord Hugh Cecil for the opposition, and Premier Asquith, Right Hon. Reginald McKenna and Sir John Simon, Attorney General, for the government.

Although the Unionist attitude will be one of resistance to the entire bill, it is believed they will ultimately acquiesce provided the disestablishment proposals are dropped. The bill reappears during a week when the church annual meetings begin, several of which will be devoted to denouncing the proposals.

In the House of Commons today some plain questions will be addressed to the Prime Minister concerning the remarkable claims of the Ulster council that the government contemplated provoking the province to revolt with the idea of mercenarily crushing all opposition even before the Home Rule bill had been passed.

Colonel Chalmers, M.P. for Abercrombie, will make a further demand for a judicial enquiry. Mr. Amery, M.P. for East Birmingham will renew his attempt of last week to elicit information concerning the charges made from the War Office, or by Sir Arthur Paget or other authorities to the military authorities at Belfast. A number of other queries are also expected for Tuesday and Wednesday.

In ministerial circles and newspapers the Ulster story of the great "plot" is being ridiculed as a gross exaggeration over a simple order given the army to protect ammunition stores, but the Unionists take a serious view of the alleged plot as being proven by documents or attested by facts. The general feeling seems to be that the government can no longer afford convincing answers or stand further discredited.

Col. Seely, until recently minister of war, speaking at a meeting in the country on Saturday, said he had realized that bloodshed would ruin the chances for peace in Ireland, and it was in order to secure that peaceful settlement that he had labored. That he should have taken steps such as were alleged in the Ulster council statement was so unthinkable that he could not find language strong enough to repudiate it. He was convinced that settlement must be looked for by consent.

C.P.R. TO ENTER PHILIPPINES

Will Make Manila Port of Call—Seventeen Day Schedule Proposed.

Montreal, April 19.—Considerable interest has been created in shipping circles by the announcement that the Canadian Pacific will enter the Philippines trade on June 1, when the S. S. Empress of Russia will make Manila a port of call. The fastest schedule hitherto from any North American port to Manila has been twenty-eight days, but the Canadian Pacific with its new fast sailing will cut this down to seventeen days.

This service has been inaugurated at the request of business men and commercial interests in the United States and the Philippines, and undoubtedly will bring Canada into touch with a valuable new market.

The new schedule also will bring considerable tourist trade to Manila, as the Canadian road carries a large percentage of the round the world travellers from Europe on its Pacific Empress boats.

Refuses to Accept Demand for Salute in Apology for Arrest of Marines.

SPECIAL SESSION OF CABINET TODAY.

Mexican President Sends Counter Conditions—Washington Won't Accept and Next Move is Likely to be Decisive.

Washington, April 19.—General Huerta, president of Mexico, flatly refused today to accede to the unconditional demand of the United States that he salute the American flag, and congress will be asked by President Wilson tomorrow for authority to use armed force to uphold the honor and dignity of the nation.

Negotiations with Huerta over the demand for a salute in reparation for the arrest of American bluejackets at Tampico on April 10 came to a close tonight at six o'clock, the last hour given by President Wilson for a favorable response from the Mexican dictator. The final word of Huerta to Charge O'Shaughnessy was a refusal to comply unless the United States would guarantee in writing that his salute be returned.

The crisis thus reached does not mean that there will be a formal declaration of war, because the United States could not declare war against a government which it does not recognize. President Wilson will seek authority, however, to send the armed forces into Mexico, to seize first the ports of Tampico and Vera Cruz and the railroad leading to Mexico City.

The president directed that a cabinet meeting be called for 10:30 o'clock tomorrow, when the final arrangements for a pacific blockade of Mexican ports and other steps in the president's programme will be deliberated. The breach that finally has come with Mexico will make it impossible, it was declared on high authority, for the United States to further protect foreigners in the republic, and foreign governments have been notified of the situation in this regard.

The president, it was declared, not only will ask congress for authority to use the armed forces to uphold the honor of the nation but also for an appropriation, a deficiency already having been created because of the expensive operations in anticipation of Huerta's defiance of this government.

The president probably will further ask congress to pass the volunteer act, which has already passed the house, providing for pressing into service the militia regiments in the various states.

In preparation for the crisis that must be met Senator Shively, chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, and Representative Flood, chairman of the Foreign Affairs Committee, called meetings for these committees tomorrow. Representative Flood, who is on his honeymoon, telephoned from New York that he would return at once.

Just before midnight Secretary Bryan issued this statement: "A little after 11 o'clock last night a brief despatch came from Charge O'Shaughnessy at Mexico City, saying that the president's demand had been sent to Huerta. The latter replied he was willing to accede if a protocol was signed. This President Wilson objected to. He insists the salute be fired in accordance with international custom as an apology for an insult. The proposed protocol is so phrased that Huerta might construe it as recognizing his government."

Key West, Fla., April 19.—The main division of the Atlantic fleet of the United States navy, bound for Tampico in connection with the American demand of a salute from the Huerta government to the United States flag, passed here at six o'clock this morning.

New York, April 19.—The battleship North Dakota, commanded by Captain Charles P. Flunkert, passed quarantine at 5:55 o'clock this afternoon bound to Mexican waters. During the day hundreds of persons visited the Brooklyn navy yards where the North Dakota was coaling and provisioning, and made farewell to relatives and friends on board the dreadnought.

Newport, R. I., April 19.—After taking on torpedoes and a full equipment of men from the training station the destroyer Balch sailed today to join the Atlantic torpedo flotilla at Tampico.

St. John's, Newfoundland, April 19.—After two weeks' successful search for the missing sealer Southern Cross, the steamer Kye returned to port today. The Southern Cross and her crew of 175 men has been finally given up as lost.