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VERDICT RENDERED IN NOBLE CASE JURY WAS NON-COMMITTAL

Could Not Say From the Evidence Whether Blood Poisoning From Which Patient Died Was Induced by Street Railway Accident in Which Deceased Was Injured.

THE VERDICT.

That the said James Noble came to his death at Victoria Hospital, London, on Sept. 1, inst., from blood poisoning. From the evidence adduced we are unable to say as to whether said blood poisoning was in any way induced by the street car collision on Richmond street on Aug. 8, last.

The above verdict was returned last night by the jury, under Coroner MacLaren, investigated the cause of the death of James Noble, who died in Victoria Hospital on Sept. 1, as the result of a street car accident.

Albert Corbett, the first witness called, stated that he was a friend of the late James Noble, and was with him until about 10 o'clock on the evening of Aug. 8. Witness saw with deceased when he got on a Wellington car to go home. Witness saw him again after he got home, and had been in the accident. Mr. Noble complained of pains in his head.

Ante-Mortem Statement.

Coroner MacLaren read the ante-mortem statement of the late James Noble. Mr. Noble made his statement to Mr. R. K. Cowan at Victoria Hospital on Aug. 26. Mr. Noble said he felt a jolt, and saw all the people falling down. He was partially stunned by a sharp blow and his head came in contact with the window sashes. Witness was in good health up to the time of the accident. He had never been in any accident to injure his head. Witness had a cold in his head for several days before the accident. He was standing in the front of the car.

Asked where he had been struck during the collision, Noble said on the head behind the left ear. The pain was on the right side of the head behind the right ear. He had come here three years ago from Scotland. He did not pay his car fare until after the accident, as he was not asked to, owing to the crowded condition of the car. There were no cuts on his head. Mr. Noble did not know why the pain was

in the right ear. The left ear was deaf as a result of the accident.

Physician's Statement.

Dr. Shochtham stated that he had been called to see deceased on Aug. 10, and found Mr. Noble suffering greatly from pain in his head and advised that he be moved at once to Victoria Hospital. On Tuesday morning he was still suffering severely, and an operation was decided on to relieve him. The first operation was held on Aug. 17, when the ear drum was opened. Fluid was found in the drum. The pain was still unrelieved and on the following day the wound was reopened. It was decided on Aug. 19 to operate behind the ear. The result of this operation was that considerable pus was found under the bones. Mr. Noble seemed to improve considerably for several days. On Aug. 24 Mr. Noble became worse again, and his temperature rose rapidly. On Wednesday, Aug. 26, he was again operated on. A blood clot was discovered. Dr. improvement in Mr. Noble's condition could be noticed, and he died soon after. Death was due to poisoning in the system, due to pus.

The Post-Mortem.

Dr. Hadley Williams read the result of the post-mortem examination, and showed that death was due to blood poisoning. The right lung was found to be almost destroyed by a big abscess, which had discharged large quantities of pus and poisoned the system. Asked as to whether the shock of the collision would cause this state of things, Dr. Williams said there was no evidence that such a condition was due to any injury received. There was no sign of any injury in the parts described as a result of concussion. The lung would take at least two weeks to get in that condition.

The evidence of Dr. Septimus Thompson and John D. Wilson was taken also, and at its conclusion the verdict as given was rendered. Mr. T. A. Faude appeared for Mrs. Noble, while Messrs. Ivey and Dromgole represented the London street railway.

Methodists Will Fight Sunday Cars Council Now Making Arrangements

Representatives Appointed to the Laymen's Movement Scheduled for this Fall.

At a meeting of the executive of the Methodist Council, held last night at Wesley Hall, Messrs. T. B. Scott, C. E. German, C. B. Keenleyside, D. A. McDermid and J. H. Chapman were appointed representatives to the inter-denominational laymen's movement, which will be taken part in by the churches of the city in October.

Sunday Cars.

It was stated that the council will take a very active part in the municipal elections, when the Sunday car fight will be on. They will put forth every effort to defeat the plebiscite.

A Banquet.

A banquet for Methodists will be

Bad Man Harris Gets Three Months For Assaulting a Policeman

Police Magistrate Love Puts a Ne'er-Do-Well Away for a Spell.

Frank Harris, a well-known colored man, who has been in the police court times innumerable for various offences, was sent to the Central Prison for three months this morning by Magistrate Love for assaulting P. C. Thomas Fysh on King street yesterday afternoon.

Harris is a man of the most intemperate habits, and together with another colored man named Ed Fountain, was hanging about hotels in a drunken condition, begging nickels from passers-by.

Made a Break.

P. C. Fysh arrested both men and was waiting for the patrol wagon to arrive, when they made a dash for liberty, and succeeded in wrenching themselves free.

P. C. Fysh took after Harris, who ran across King street, until he reached

the vacant lot opposite the fire hall. Here he threw himself on the ground and grasped the officer tightly about the legs. He held on for several minutes and asked to be let up.

Choked the Officer.

He had no sooner regained his feet than he gripped P. C. Fysh about the throat with both hands and choked him until he fell backwards.

Then letting go he ran across the road and disappeared down the fire hall lane.

P. C. Fysh quickly recovered, and caught up with Harris when he was trying to hide in the fire hall yard. Harris again threw himself at the officer's feet and held him tightly until the wagon arrived. He then fought desperately and tore P. C. Fysh's coat to pieces, and scratched his hand so badly that it required medical attention.

Must Be Stopped.

"Interfering with police officers must be stopped," said Magistrate Love, "will not give any future offenders on this charge a chance to pay a fine, but will send them down."

Fountain is still at large.

Dr. Hutchinson's Annual Milk Report

The report of Medical Health Officer Hutchinson on the milk supply of the city is rather interesting. He examined approximately 180 herds of cattle, and in that number only 2 herds had been subjected to the tuberculin test by the owners, scarcely 1 per cent. This is not a very good showing.

The showing in butterfat is some better, not good. Of the 180 herds only 34 show more than 4 per cent. butterfat. Of the rest 29 herds show 3 per cent. butterfat, and the rest near 2 per cent. The premises as a rule are clean, the larger majority of them being first-class.

SCHOOL TRUSTEES VERY ANGRY ONE DUBBED "ALL WISE MAN"

Trustee Teasdale Told Trustee MacRobert What He Thought of Him—Row Over the Appointing of a Relieving Principal for the Public Schools.

One of the main features at the board of education meeting yesterday afternoon was the lively row in which Trustees Teasdale and MacRobert engaged over the appointment of a relieving principal for public school work.

Chairman Westervelt of No. 1 committee recommended in his report that two additional teachers be added in the junior department at the Collegiate. The attendance at the Collegiate has never been so great as at the present time. Yesterday even the record on the opening days was broken, and well over 800 students were present.

Two new classrooms will be fitted up upstairs for the new teachers. The motion was unanimously adopted.

The Row.

The report also recommended that Mr. H. H. Kelly, at present relieving principal in the public schools, be appointed to take charge of the writing at the Collegiate.

This leaves one position still vacant, and the report included a recommendation that the board advertise for a teacher to take charge of the writing. The recommendation passed.

Rev. D. S. Hamilton moved, seconded by Trustee MacRobert, that Mr. Claude Brown, of St. George's school, be appointed relieving principal.

Dr. Teasdale took strong exception to this, on the ground that the board ought to commence to trim a little. It (Continued on Page Ten.)

JAS. S. BELL NEW TREASURER WAS APPOINTED BY COUNCIL

Name of Mr. Lochead Was Proposed, But Was Voted Down—Ald. Stevenson and Ferguson Alone Opposed Appointment—Ald. Beattie Wanted Mr. Bell Put on Trial.

At the council meeting last night, Mr. James S. Bell, who has been assistant treasurer for over twenty years, was made city treasurer of London.

The vote was 8 to 2, Ald. Greenlees declining to vote, while Ald. Parsons was away.

When the bylaw to appoint a city treasurer was read a second time, Ald. Rose moved that the name of Mr. James S. Bell be inserted in the by-law. Ald. Armstrong seconded the motion.

Ald. Stevenson, however, suggested that the name of Mr. John Lochead be inserted. He withdrew this in a moment, however, and moved that the bylaw be not read a second time, but be laid over until the next meeting at least, and advertisements be inserted in the daily papers calling for applicants for the position.

The motion was seconded by Ald. Ferguson.

Ald. Stevenson Explains.

"My reason for wishing to lay the matter over," said Ald. Stevenson, "is that a number of people have come to me and said they would apply if the position were open. They seem to have the idea that the matter is closed. I would give everybody who desired an opportunity of applying for the place. The present assistant treasurer is doing very well, and it is his claims were the best, he should obtain it."

Ald. Armstrong then gave his reasons for supporting Mr. Bell. He was a thoroughly competent man, and had served the city faithfully for 23 years. He had not one black mark and had done his work well. Ald. Armstrong favored the promotion of faithful and competent employees, and he considered a great mistake would be made if Mr. Bell were not given the appointment.

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THE UNIVERSITY GOVERNORS NAMED BY GOVERNMENT

Judge R. M. Meredith, Messrs. John H. Chapman, C. R. Somerville and John O. Dromgole Selected—City Council Will Appoint Four Civic Governors This Week.

The Provincial Government yesterday issued an order, appointing the following gentlemen as governors to the Western University:

Mr. Justice R. M. Meredith.
Mr. John H. Chapman.
Mr. Chas. R. Somerville.
Mr. John O. Dromgole.

The city council has not yet appointed its four representatives, on the board, will do so this week, at a special meeting of the council, which will be called for that purpose.

The appointment of the governors by the Ontario Government will enable the Western University to get to work. The eight governors will meet as soon as the council appoints its representatives, to choose four more governors, making twelve in all.

It is not known exactly whom the council will appoint, but it is probable that Mayor Stevely, Mr. T. H. Purdon, K.C., Capt. T. J. Murphy, and Mr. T. H. Smallman will be the four named.

The Government Appointees.

The four Government appointees are well known in the city, and no fault can be found with the selection.

Mr. Justice Meredith was a leading member of the local bar for many years, and was interested in educational matters. Since his elevation to the bench he has also taken a deep interest in such matters, and will make a most efficient member of the board of governors.

Mr. J. H. Chapman is the well-

known drygoods merchant, and should make a capable member of the board. He is a leading member of the Methodist Church, and has always taken a deep interest in educational and religious affairs.

Mr. C. R. Somerville is a keen business man of East London, who has risen very rapidly during the past few years. He has always taken an active interest in public affairs, though he has never sought any office. He is well known as a great worker in the Presbyterian councils of the city. He is much interested in education, and will make a most valuable member of the board.

Mr. J. O. Dromgole is a lawyer, a member of the firm of Ivey & Dromgole, and is comparatively a young man. He is a member of the board of education for many years, being the representative of the separate schools on that body.

Reopens Oct. 1.

The university will open on Oct. 1. There have been many inquiries from prospective students, and Provost James looks for a splendid freshman class.

The supplemental examinations will commence Sept. 21.

The organization of the senate will commence shortly after the appointment of the board of governors. The senate will have charge of the courses of study and the arrangement of the curriculum.

Board Puts It Up to City Council To Care for Tuberculosis Patient

Dr. John D. Wilson Made an Appeal for Assistance for an Unfortunate.

The Carling creek matter, which has been hanging fire for over twenty years, was again shelved for another year at the meeting of the board of health held at the city hall yesterday afternoon.

The matter caused quite a lengthy discussion.

Chairman Dr. Niven was of the opinion that the creek was the property of the city, as no taxes had been paid on it for over 30 years. The communications of Dr. Bell, of the provincial board of health, were read.

In reply to Chairman Niven's letter Dr. Bell recommended that the city could prosecute under sections 67, 68, 69 of the public health act, the local board to pronounce thereon.

Under section 75 the local board may ask the provincial board to investigate and report. If that body recommends an abatement of the nuisance, the city or any individual may apply to the high court for the order of removal.

After the resources of the board had been discussed the matter was shelved.

Tuberculosis Patients.

Dr. John D. Wilson was present and addressed the board regarding the provisions for persons suffering from tuberculosis.

Dr. Wilson had at present under his care Mr. Joseph Smith, of 139 Ade-



MR. JAMES S. BELL,
Who Was Last Night Appointed City
Treasurer of London.

SEEKING POWER TERMS

A Number of Towns Apply for Admission to Power Union

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Toronto, Sept. 8.—A Niagara Power Union meeting was held in the city hall this afternoon for the purpose of considering the application for admission of Whitby, Oshawa, Cobourg, Port Hope, Bowmanville, Windsor, Sandwich, Walkerville. These municipalities have asked for a meeting to discuss terms under which they can secure power. There were 29 delegates, but nearly all were delayed by Exhibition excursion trains.

MRS. SHERWIN FREE OF RABIES MENACE

Toronto, Ont., Sept. 8.—Mrs. Sherwin, the woman who was badly bitten by a mad dog some time ago and was sent to the Pasteur Institute in New York for treatment, returned to the city today. She brought with her a certificate from the institute to the effect that so far as rabies are concerned she is out of danger. The city paid her expenses and treatment.

EXCITING GAME OF BASEBALL

Played Yesterday Between Policemen Pencil Pushers

The policemen's baseball team yesterday met and defeated the Free Press baseball team by 9 to 8 at Tumcsh Park.

The game was the most exciting that has ever been seen on a local diamond, several players almost catching the ball at different times.

The losers were unable to place a full team upon the diamond and several substitutes were used.

Tommy Fysh arrested several of P. Wigle's twisters and sent them down from one to three bases, while Bud Lucas and the rest of the city's finest performed like colts out for an outing.

Chief Williams' lunch lined up as follows: Black, Probyn, Lucas, Harper, McRoberts, McCullough, Snyder and Powell.

Several attempts were made to take the umpire—a street car man—alive, but he escaped, and his name was not learned.

BIG GOLD STEAL.

Seattle, Wash., Sept. 8.—Stepping from the steamer Senator, which had just arrived from Nome, James H. Beggs was last night arrested on a charge of entering the state with stolen goods. The capture is expected to stand as the final chapter in the sensational gold brick robbery of two years ago on the steamer Tanana, which netted the thieves over \$75,000.

Part of which was afterwards returned by Bobby Miller. Beggs is believed to be the custodian of over \$19,000 which Miller is said to have secreted near Fairbanks, Alaska.

Robert Miller is supposed to be on his way from Skagway to Seattle to meet Beggs and divide the money. Miller completed a two years' term of imprisonment this spring, and immediately upon his release went north. The officers are confident they will capture Miller.

THE WEATHER.

TOMORROW—FINE.

FORECASTS.
Toronto, Sept. 9-8 a.m.
Today—Moderate southwest winds; fine.
Thursday—Moderate winds; fine, with some temperature.

TEMPERATURES.

Stations.	8 a.m.	Min.	Weather.
Calgary	34	22	Fair
Winnipeg	54	54	Fair
Parry Sound	64	54	Clear
Toronto	58	42	Clear
Ottawa	58	52	Fair
Montreal	64	52	Fair
Quebec	54	50	Cloudy
Father Point	48	42	Rain

The first column in the above table records the temperature at 8 o'clock this morning, and the second column records the minimum temperatures during the 24 hours previous.

WEATHER NOTES.
The low area which was over the Western Provinces yesterday has almost disappeared, which the high area, which has moved a little southward, is now centered in the Middle States and dominates the weather from Manitoba to the Atlantic.

A few showers occurred yesterday in Northern Saskatchewan, and a change to cooler weather has taken place throughout the Western Provinces, but from Ontario to the Maritime Provinces there has been no change, the weather continuing fine and moderately warm.

THE ONTARIO LIBERALS TO CALL ANOTHER GREAT CONVENTION

Senators, Members of Parliament and Liberal Candidates Gathered at Toronto—Confident of Victory in the Coming Dominion Elections.

Toronto, Sept. 8.—A convention of Ontario Liberals before another Provincial election was strongly advocated by President E. H. M. Movat at the annual meeting of the Ontario Reform Association today. There was a good attendance, including many senators, members of Parliament and Liberal candidates. Mr. Movat began by welcoming new members and outlining the object of the association.

"To those who are here for the first time," he said, "it will not be out of place to point out that the ridings control this association, and, therefore, if they choose to exercise it, have the chief authority to appoint the executive officers, and to determine what the general policy of the

Liberal party in the management of party affairs shall be, so that the long cherished principles of Reformers may be adhered to and kept clear, in so far as intelligent organization is effective for that purpose. The mandate given by Liberals in convention assembled in 1904 was to form an association where the independence of the constituencies would be respected, where political power would not be centralized, and where local methods and effort would be free from dictation. Some experienced politicians do not approve of this basis of working. They think the most effective effort is that which is specialized and directed from one place. Which is the better plan must be left to the test of experience of years, but until the instructions given in 1904 are re-

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LOOSE BUSINESS METHODS RE PAYING CIVIC EMPLOYEES

Brought to the Attention of Council by Aldermen Ferguson and Stevenson—One of the Pay Sheets Which Was Presented at the City Hall by the Foreman.

That loose business methods prevail in some of the city departments was shown last night, when Ald. Ferguson called the attention of the council to the fact that one of the ward foremen in charge of quite a large gang of men made out his own time for the men and also did the paying.

This fact came as somewhat of a surprise to most of the aldermen, who were under the impression that all the civic employees were paid by the city treasurer.

Foreman Charles McKerrlie has been doing this all summer, and while no reflections have been made against Mr. McKerrlie, who is not responsible for

the system, the principle has come in for general censure.

No Checks.
There is no check on the expenditure. This slipshod method of doing business has prevailed all this summer, and it is understood last summer also.

Ald. Ferguson promptly put a stop to it last evening, when he and Ald. Stevenson introduced a motion that all civic employees must be paid by the city treasurer.

The Payroll.

Last week, according to the payroll, Mr. McKerrlie had the following men on (Continued on Page Nine.)

Anderson, Watch Thief, Found Guilty Sent to Central Prison for One Year

Told a Pipe Story in Court, But "the Terrible Judge" Would Not Believe It.

John Anderson, the young man who on the evening of Sept. 1 was arrested on a charge of deliberately stealing a watch from Homer E. Gray, of Lobo, was found guilty by Magistrate Love this morning and sentenced to one year in the Central Prison.

Mr. Gray testified that he was coming down Richmond street on the evening of Sept. 1, when he was accosted by Anderson, who was standing near King street. Anderson said he was "all in," and asked for a nickel. Just before Anderson met him witness had taken out his watch and saw it was five minutes to six.

When accosted, Gray said he had no money, and Anderson said:

A Persistent Beggar.

"Put your hand in your pocket and see."

Gray did so, and Anderson said he heard money rattle.

The witness gave Anderson five coppers and Anderson came up close to him and put his hand on his shoulder.

Gray went away, and almost immediately missed his watch. Then he went to the police station and laid a complaint.

Anderson Identified.

Arthur Mann, an employee in the City Hotel stables, said Anderson had come into the stables and wanted to

shake hands with him several times, but was told to go away. Mr. Mann identified Anderson as the man who was around the stables.

Detective Nickle stated that he had caught the prisoner about 8 o'clock in a hotel on Ridout street with the watch and fob in his possession. He said he had bought the watch.

The Defence.

John Anderson, in the box, stated that he had been living in Hamilton for some time, but his regular home was in Chicago.

He was a laborer, and is 24 years old. He came to London two months ago, and went to Goderich camp. He had worked for a farmer named Joseph Benson, 7 or 8 miles out of London. Anderson admitted meeting Gray. For several days he had been tramping. He did not take Gray's watch, he said, but had bought it about half-past six on the evening of Sept. 1. He had paid \$1.25 for it.

Asked where he got the money, he said he had begged \$1.80 from the time he met Gray and was arrested.

Anderson was cornered by Mr. McKillop in his statements regarding how he got his money. Witness said he was in jail 10 days in Woodstock for being drunk.

Found Guilty.

"When stolen property is found in your possession," said Magistrate Love, "you must give a reasonable story as to how you got it. You have not done so. You have also, in my opinion, perjured yourself. I find you guilty, and sentence you to one year in the Central Prison."

Says Packing Co. Will Not Leave

"Despite all reports to the contrary the Canadian Packing Company will not leave London."

Such was the statement of Mayor Stevely last night when questioned about the future of the company.

"Mr. Reznitzer will leave this week for England, where a meeting of the directors of the company will be held," the mayor continued. "Then it will be

known what will be done, and not until then. But the company will not leave this city."

"The company does not need any money for its purposes. If it did there would be plenty forthcoming in a very short time, as I know many people who would like very much to take stock in the concern."

"I have no fear of losing the firm at all."

Merchants Pleased With Sentence

Richmond street merchants who have been annoyed by young men hanging around their stores selling fake jewellery to people, are more than pleased with the sentence of one year in the Central Prison that was handed out by Magistrate Love this morning to John Anderson, the young man who, on the evening of Sept. 1, stole a watch from Homer E. Gray.

"If Magistrate Love knew the way some of the young fellows have been acting around our stores he would send

more of them down, I think," a merchant told The Advertiser, on hearing of Anderson's sentence.

"However, this stiff sentence will probably go a long way towards improving things for us, I hope. Since this case has come up the fellows that used to bother us so much have been around so often. They are still here, but do not bother us as they did. Now that they know where the Magistrate stands on this question, we are hoping they will not bother us any more."