

ONTARIO BANK.

The Referee's View of Chas. McGill's Evidence.

What the Officers' Guarantee Fund Was Used For.

Toronto, June 24.—Taking his place at the head of the table on which were strewn ledgers and stock transfer books, Charles McGill, the former manager of the Ontario Bank, at noon yesterday, before Official Referee George Kappeler, proceeded to tell of transactions involving 295 shares of stock, to the value of \$20,500, that appear against Richard Hall and C. McGill on the list of contributors of the bank.

Mr. James Bicknell, K. C., appeared on behalf of the liquidators. "I am trying to keep my spirits up," said McGill yesterday, "and I think that I have succeeded admirably well. I have had a lot to contend with, and I think I could hardly be expected to recollect details of the transactions in which directors were the prime movers years ago. I never had occasion to refer to the books, so you can readily understand why I pause before answering some of the questions put to me. But just as soon as I peruse the books the conversations seem to come to me."

In the case mentioned the liquidators treat Hall and McGill as being responsible for the 295 shares, as absolute owners, and "no trust."

Mr. C. A. Moss appeared on behalf of Mr. Richard Hall, of Peterboro'. "Do you propose to examine McGill?" asked Mr. Kappeler of Mr. Moss, on resuming the inquiry at noon.

"I don't care to examine McGill," rejoined Mr. Moss in reference to Hall. "That is for someone else to do. Mr. Hall did not authorize Mr. McGill to transfer the stock to him; in fact he did not know anything about the transaction."

"I just propose to show that this stock stands to the credit of the officers' guarantee fund," broke in Mr. Gideon Grant, counsel for McGill. "The transfer books show that."

Mr. Moss stated that he also appeared on behalf of J. B. Collins, J. C. Reid, W. G. Reid, E. C. Reid, Mrs. M. A. Haslett, Mrs. Isabella Rogers, James McNeil, Mrs. M. Dickenson, Mrs. C. Dickson, Mrs. E. Walsh, Archduke R. Heaven, Mrs. Ella Barwick, Mrs. F. E. Payne, whom the liquidators are seeking to hold as contributors. They represent a total of 120 shares.

"Are you satisfied with McGill's explanation of the transfer of these shares as explained by him yesterday?" asked Mr. Kappeler of Mr. Bicknell, K. C., referring to the Hall case and the other clients represented by Mr. Moss.

"The evidence is," proceeded Mr. Bicknell, "that the officers' guarantee fund was practically nothing but a name; that McGill had instructions from the directors to support the stock of the bank if, in his opinion, it became necessary; that no minute of these instructions appeared in the minute books; that the making of a minute book was omitted, advisedly, and by the direction of the directors; that the instructions to McGill to support the stock were never countermanded; that McGill says that from time to time the directors learned from him that the bank was buying and selling shares with its own funds, and that the money used for that purpose was placed to the credit of the officers' guarantee fund."

"This evidence may be applicable to the other cases," concluded Mr. Bicknell.

"I think you have covered the ground thoroughly," said Mr. George Kappeler. According to McGill's evidence, the officers' guarantee fund was a device for the bank to buy and sell its own shares. That must be, but it is only a question of fact; the law is another matter. Let it be understood that this is not my final decision, because the cases before me are only partially completed.

"I don't think we would gain any ground," concluded Mr. Kappeler, "by continuing the investigation. Many of the lawyers are going away for summer vacations, and it might be well to let the matter stand until September."

This was agreeable to Mr. Bicknell, who added that he had no desire to hurry the matter along.

Mr. Moss intimated that, so far as his clients were concerned, his contention was that the bank having taken hold of the stock in question from time to time, it had destroyed the nature of the stock, and therefore his clients could not be held liable for it.

McGill will be taken back to Kingston this morning. It is not likely that he will be brought up again when the inquiry is resumed.

HOT IN PURSUIT.

Hunting Down British Columbia Train Robbers.

Vancouver, B. C., June 23.—The pursuit of the bandits who held up the express at Ducks yesterday is hot. Provincial police, C. P. R. police, Thiel detectives, and a picked body of the Royal Mounted Police have joined in the chase. Mr. W. W. McLeod, manager of the Thiel service, left for Ducks yesterday. Armed men, largely composed of Indian trackers, are scouring the country in the vicinity of the hold-up.

Horses stolen in the neighborhood indicate the method the bandits employed to get away. Sheriff Woods, Constable Batchelor, and an armed escort left Kamloops for Cherry Creek, west of the city, on receipt of a telephone message from a section man that four men had tried to sell a boat there last night.

REFUSED THE PRISONER.

Sheriff Said That George McSweeney Was Too Ill to Go to Jail.

St. John, N. B., June 23.—Although Policeman Crossman had commitment papers, and his prisoner, George McSweeney, proprietor of the Brunswick Hotel, at the jail door, Dorchester, N. B., last evening, Sheriff Willett, with a doctor's certificate in his hand stating that Mr. McSweeney was not in a fit condition to go to jail, refused to allow the officer to enter with his prisoner. McSweeney was released and returned to Montreal.

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WHO HE IS.

KAISER'S DAUGHTER SAID TO HAVE PICKED HER HUSBAND.

"Fritz Strelitz" the Man Whom She Will Make Happy—No Truth in Report She Will Wed Youth Who May Be Emperor of Austria.

German and Austrian newspapers begin to show remarkable fertility of invention in finding a future husband for the German Emperor's only daughter, Princess Victoria Louise. This young lady is approaching marriageable age—she will be 17 in September—and is rapidly leaving off childish things, but nothing is more certain than that she neither she nor her parents are thinking of an immediate wedding.

One of the most persistent rumors is that which links the names of Princess Victoria Louise and the 22-year-old Archduke Charles Francis Joseph, the son of the late Archduke Otto and his presumptive to the Austrian throne after his uncle, Archduke Francis Ferdinand. There is not a word of truth in this rumor, for the first and simplest of reasons that the bar of disparity of religious belief cannot be got over. The German Emperor and Empress are both Protestants and never would consent to their daughter marrying a Catholic and changing her faith.

COURT STRICTLY CATHOLIC.

A case like that of the Queen of Spain is inconceivable in the royal house of Prussia. There have been cases of members of other German reigning Protestant families embracing the Roman faith and to a still more frequent extent the Greek faith, but among the Hohenzollerns, never. Nor would the traditions of the Austrian Hapsburgs permit of any such union. The intensely Catholic court of Vienna could not endure to have a Princess brought up on somewhat narrow Protestant lines enjoy the vast Catholic patronage which belongs to an Empress of Austria and Queen of Hungary.

It might also be remembered that the mother of the Austrian Prince, Archduchess Maria Josepha (who, by the way, is a sister of the King of Saxony), is regarded even in Austria as one of the most devoted of Catholics, a woman who never would consent to her son marrying a Protestant Hohenzollern.

"FRITZ STRELITZ" THE MAN.

The Austrian union is out of the question, but there can be little doubt that the matrimonial fate of Victoria Louise is sealed and that her future husband will be the coming Grand Duke of Mecklenburg-Strelitz, "Fritz Strelitz," as he is called at the German court. He is a young man (aged 27), of irreproachable conduct, but as poor as a church mouse. However, the Emperor will see to it that his only daughter has a big dot. It is computed that she is to have about \$1,750,000 as a dowry, and there is, moreover, gossip that the imperial family's recent policy of saving was adopted mainly with a view to the future glory of the Princess.

With regard to the Austrian heir presumptive's nephew, the princess, who has the best chance of getting that exalted bridegroom is 18-year-old Princess Maria del Pilar, of Bavaria, a most serious Catholic and at the same time one of the most brilliant and accomplished of the younger princesses of the Wittelsbach line. She is the daughter of the famous Bavarian Prince Louis Ferdinand and his wife, Maria de la Paz, a Spanish infanta. Louis Ferdinand has been well known for 20 years as an oculist. Maria del Pilar is a dashing sort of a girl, knows all about horses and dogs and is a first rate tennis player. But her fortune will be a small one—not a serious consideration in view of the enormous wealth of the Hapsburg family.

WATER SUPPLY.

Winnipeg Mains Badly Damaged Through Electrolysis.

Winnipeg, June 23.—That the known damage to the city domestic supply and high pressure water mains through electrolysis amounts to thousands of dollars already, and that it is possible that a great many water mains in the central portion of the city are very seriously affected through the currents of electricity escaping from the street car rails, is practically the essence of the report presented to the Board of Control this morning by Professor L. A. Herdt, of McGill University, who has been conducting tests for several months.

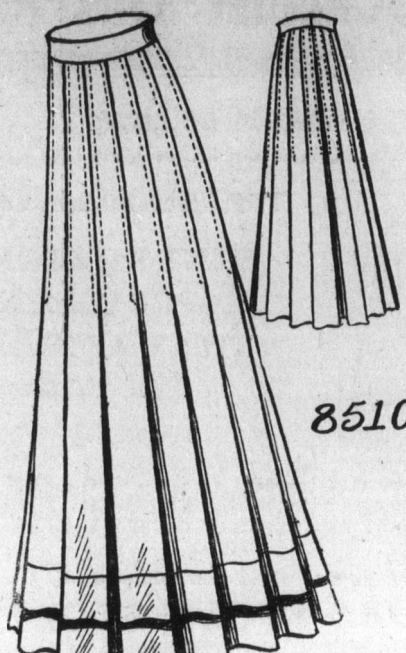
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BRITISH WANTED

To Build Democracies in the Overseas States.

Edinburgh, June 23.—Speaking at the luncheon given the visiting press delegates to-day by the Students' Union, Mr. J. A. Macdonald, of Toronto, said the question of imperial unity had been settled by their conference. Replying to the Provost's welcome, Mr. Macdonald pointed out the significance of concluding their tour at the capital of the unconquered Scottish people. They were proud of what Scotland and Edinburgh had done for the liberty of the world and the strength of the over-seas dominions. The press would fight to give the common man a chance, and fight, if necessary, against the tyrannous crowd democracies could breed, as their sides had fought against the kings. He invited the British people to fill the great lands of the over-seas dominions, where they built a new world, and that they would, and strong, that would cling to the old homeland.

DR. WORKMAN.

Wesleyan Theological College Being Sued For Libel.

Montreal, June 23.—An action was entered this forenoon for \$5,000 by Rev. George C. Workman against the Wesleyan Theological College, for libel, in his famous heresy case. This action follows that taken by Dr. Workman against the college on April 30 for \$5,000, and is the direct result of the plea entered by the defendant, which the plaintiff claims is a reiteration of the libel, and for which he now seeks a sum total of \$10,000.

Dr. Workman was engaged by the board in May, 1904, to act as professor of Hebrew and Old Testament exegesis, and in May, 1908, the plaintiff claims that he was dismissed without his consent and without any legal or just cause.

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BRIGADER DEAD.

Mrs. Stewart Devoted Her Life to Work of Saving Girls.

Toronto, June 24.—News of the death at Winnipeg early yesterday morning of Brigadier Annie Stewart, of the Women's Social Department of the Salvation Army was received in Toronto yesterday. Miss Stewart suffered a stroke of apoplexy some weeks ago, but recovered sufficiently to be able to start on the journey west in search of health, accompanied by Mrs. Commissioner Combs. For several days past she had lain in an unconscious condition. The remains are being brought from Winnipeg for interment at Mount Pleasant cemetery on Saturday afternoon.

The late Brigadier Stewart was about sixty years of age at the time of her death. She was a native of Guelph, where, prior to joining the Salvation Army staff, eighteen years ago, she was the head of a prosperous dressmaking business. For many years previously she had been a Sunday school worker in the Methodist Church, but decided to devote the remainder of her life to the work of reclaiming unfortunate women and girls. She became head of the Toronto and Montreal Rescue Homes, and later assistant to Miss Evangeline Booth. Of recent years she had been Secretary of the Women's Social Work under Mrs. Combs, wife of the present Commissioner, and had done special duty at the Toronto Police Court. Her services, too, were always at the call of the Monthly Department. All of her private resources were used by her in the furtherance of her work, to which she was entirely devoted. By her splendid unselfishness and gentle life she had endeared herself to all of the court and police officials, as well as to the many poor creatures of the underworld whom she strove continuously to help. Hundreds of women in all parts of the Dominion owe their lives and their happiness to-day to Miss Stewart.

"There are so few people in the world who love other people better than they love themselves," said Commissioner Combs, with tears in his eyes, as he announced the news to his staff.

In the Police Court, Magistrate, Crown Attorney and inspectors all expressed their sorrow at the news. "I have called up Miss Stewart at all hours of the day and night. She never thought any trouble too great if it were going to help one of her girls to a better life," said Detective Inspector Duncan.

A special memorial service is to be conducted on Sunday night at Dufferin Grove by Commissioner Combs.

MEAT INSPECTION.

Packers Urge Upon Government That Local Dealers be Included.

Ottawa, June 23.—The extension of the meat inspection provisions to local meat business and compensation for animals condemned and seized were urged before Sir Wilfrid Laurier and Hon. Sydney Fisher this morning by a delegation which included representatives of Blackwell & Flavell, Toronto; Laing & Co., of Montreal; Matthews, of Ottawa; Hatton, of Collingwood; Fearman, of Hamilton, all big firms doing both interprovincial and export business. The delegation declared that the present provisions of the pure food act to which they were subjected should be extended by Provincial legislation to local butchers and packers who do business in a single Province only and are therefore not subject to the Dominion act. Sir Wilfrid and Hon. Fisher were urged to use their influence with the Provincial Legislature to have local pure food legislation similar to the Dominion act. The Ministers promised to use their influence to have the request carried out.

DEACON'S PROGRAMME.

The Australian's Premier Outlines His Policy.

Melbourne, June 23.—Mr. Alfred Deakin, the Premier, outlined the policy of his Government before Parliament to-day. An active policy of immigration, he said, would be undertaken, a High Commissioner would be appointed, and an endeavor made to cheapen cable charges and extend the mail service. Col. Foxton, who is now on his way to England, would consult with the Admiralty regarding a scheme of marine defence by the most effective vessels, manned by and officered by Australians, and on the construction of the necessary docks and shipyards the establishment of coaling facilities, etc., would be proposed. For land defence, the policy of the Government would be founded on universal training. The counsel of one of the most experienced commanders in the British army would be sought.

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Negro Actors Sent to Jail.

Toronto, June 24.—Two members of the "Uncle Tom's Cabin" company, which appeared at Shea's Theatre last week, were sent to jail by Magistrate Kingsford yesterday for theft. Georgina Payne stole several rings from Mr. Myer Moss, a Queen street jeweler, and Thos. Delaney received the stolen property from her. Each of the negro singers tried to blame the other, and the consequence was that both were convicted.

John Lawton, of Appin, who was kicked in the head by his horse some weeks ago, died yesterday in St. Joseph's Hospital, London, without recovering consciousness.