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SPENT FIFTEEN OF 20 YEARS IN PRISON FOR BOLD CRIMES TORONTO MAN IS HELD AGAIN

Reginald Launcelot Willoughby by Middleton, Forger, Bank Swindler, Confidence Man, Bigamist and Embezzler, Will Be Arrested on Release From Kingston Today.

Reginald Launcelot Willoughby Middleton, convicted forger, bank swindler, confidence man, bigamist, impersonator and embezzler, will be released from Kingston penitentiary at noon today after completing a seven years' sentence for forgeries in Toronto committed under the name of John Bannister. He immediately will be taken into custody again by Detective Archibald of the Toronto detective office on an extradition warrant issued by the United States grand jury, alleged to have been committed years ago in Fishville, N. Y., and Boston, Mass.

Middleton is a well-educated Englishman, and about 45 years of age; the police believe that if his correct name was known, he is of aristocratic birth. In his criminal operations he has used hundreds of names in scores of places. Since 1894, 20 years ago, when he commenced life as a criminal, he has spent at least 15 years in American, English and Canadian prisons.

The crime for which Middleton just completes a term of imprisonment, was in Toronto on Oct. 4, 1910, when he forged a bank official's signature to a \$2000 cheque drawn on the First National Bank, Newburg, N. Y. He cashed this cheque at the College and Yonge street branch of the Canadian Bank of Commerce. It is also said that another forged cheque, drawn on the Fishville, N. Y. Bank for \$1600 was cashed at a Toronto bank, on which he forged the name of H. B. Martinez, a cashier of a bank in Newburg, N. Y.

His first conviction was in 1894, on charges of forgery and grand larceny, committed at Niagara Falls, N. Y. On this conviction he was sentenced to 3 years in Auburn state prison.

On Sept. 28, 1898, under the name of Reginald P. Middleton, he was convicted of bigamy at Woodstock, Ont., and sentenced to 7 years in the Kingston penitentiary.

On Dec. 12, 1907, under the name of H. H. Rogers, alias Knightly, he was convicted at Philadelphia, Pa., with having impersonated a United States Government official, for which

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LABOR APPROVES ROAD BUILDING BY CONVICTS

Council Will Send Delegation to Meet With Prison Commission This Morning—Humanitarian Attitude of Controller Simpson Endorsed—New Officers.

The Trades and Labor Council of Toronto has expressed its views upon prison labor. A communication from J. P. Downey of the prison commission, asking that representatives of the council meet the commission at the Parliament Buildings this morning at 10 o'clock, was read at the meeting of the council last night. Several delegates declared their views upon the question of labor in prisons.

The council is opposed to any kind of labor being done by prisoners which will enter into competition with free labor, such as the manufacture of shoes, brooms, etc. Some of the delegates did not think it fair to labor that prisoners should be engaged by the government in road-building, but Controller James Simpson explained that the men confined in prisons were not allowed to do this work, they would be robbed of an opportunity to keep their minds off unhealthy things.

The controller approved of the action of the government in engaging the prisoners in road-building provided they were paid a fair rate of wages. He did not think it just that offenders against the law should practically lose time which they spend in stonement for their offenses, but that they should be paid a fair wage, which, if they were married, should go to the support of their families; or, if they were single, should be placed to their credit and given to them when they have served their time, in order to give them a new start in life.

Will Send Delegates. Delegate Bancroft spoke along the same lines, and at the conclusion of his address the council decided to send

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PREMIER MAY YET RECOVER OUTLOOK DISTINCTLY BETTER

NEW YORK, Jan. 15.—(Can. Press)—More hopeful conditions prevail tonight in the case of Sir James Whitney, the premier of Ontario, who lies seriously ill at the Hotel Manhattan. While during the day the reports were conservative, a distinctly hopeful spirit breathed thru the night bulletin, issued at 9 p.m., which read as follows: "Sir James Whitney had a more comfortable day and seems slightly better."

NO PANIC STARTED ON COBEQUID DESPITE SUFFERING AND PERIL; CAPT. HOWSON TELLS OF WRECK

He Was on Bridge When Ship Struck Rocks, and Accepts Full Responsibility—Huddled in Cabin, Danger of Being Swept Overboard Was Imminent.

ST. JOHN, N. B., Jan. 15.—(Can. Press.)—A tale of disaster at sea, of shipwreck, of peril, of death and of almost overwhelming hardships, lightened only by the courageous conduct and constancy of those around, is told by Capt. John Howson, R.N., master of the Royal Mail Steam Packet Co.'s steamer Cobequid, which was wrecked on Tuesday morning on Trinity Ledges on the Nova Scotian shore. Captain Howson's story is only incomplete in that it fails to mention what others of the crew relate, the coolness and courage of the captain in the face of impending death, and his own gallant efforts on behalf of the lives under his command.

Capt. Howson, with three of his officers and ten members of the crew, arrived in port this evening on board the Canadian Government steamer Lunenburg, which docked at West St. John. When the little steamer pulled into port it was greeted by whistles of the craft in the harbor.

Speaking of the disaster and its cause, Capt. Howson said that these were matters for the marine enquiry, and accordingly avoided such details in a frank manner he said: "I was on the bridge myself at the

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time the steamer struck, and if anyone is to be blamed I am the man." Continuing he said: "The weather was extremely thick, the heavy snow-fall making impossible to see much farther than the steamer's bows. This condition arose after we had passed Seal Island and when it was too late to turn back and head for the open sea. We were taking soundings every half hour, but the approach to the ledges is in deep water, and while one sound showed plenty of depth, the next was being made just as the steamer struck."

Why Wireless Failed. "The shock when the vessel went on the ledges was not great, but it was sufficient to hold her hard and fast and to pierce the bottom. It was then that the wireless apparatus failed. The holds were flooded and it was necessary to draw the fire under the boilers to prevent the possibility of an explosion. This cut off the power of the dynamo which operates the wireless apparatus, but in the meantime the S. O. S. signal had been sent out with information regarding our location, which we then believed to be British Island. I may remark that it was 25 minutes before we received any answer to our calls from the Sable Island wireless station, a master for which it is hard to find a reason."

"As the water crept up in the steam-

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NAVAL PROGRAM DRISCOLL WAS A REPORTER IN GOTHAM

Lord Haldane and Postmaster Samuel State Clearly That Pace Will Not Slacken Until Other Nations Agree to Co-Operate in Reduction of Armament.

LONDON, Friday, Jan. 16.—(C.A.P.)—Two declarations of the most explicit kind were made last night by Lord Haldane and Postmaster Samuel, regarding the immediate policy of the Liberal government on the navy. Speaking at Hoxton, the lord chancellor made one fact quite clear, namely, that the Liberal party does not propose to go back on the policy which has been declared publicly in parliament, and has no intention of weakening the navy by departing from those standards.

Lord Haldane led up to this declaration by dealing with the proposals which have been made for a reduction of armaments. "I should be thankful," he said, "to see the time close at hand when all nations are going to agree to reduce their armaments and relieve us of the monstrous burden which we have to keep up for defence, but that can only be done co-operatively. Experience shows that if in a heroic moment one country lays down its armaments before others do, unrest follows, and there is reaction, and its false scales and false measures. Loss of armaments and exposure resulted in a law that made weight-bearing of barker in almost all food products."

Later Mayor Gaynor promoted Driscoll to a deputy police commissioner. His work could not be as spectacular nor probably as useful, but it was more. One of his duties was to pass on the merits of alleged deeds of violence and to advise the police. He was also to advise on the merits of alleged deeds of violence and to advise the police. He was also to advise on the merits of alleged deeds of violence and to advise the police.

Driscoll is given most of the credit on the part of the politicians brought out by the current accusations against last year that based so much rottenness among the police and politicians.

He left the police department clean. There was no special reason for his going. Mayor Gaynor had turned on him as the one who had advised Driscoll was not a heavyweight, but he seems to have done as "undusted" as the time.

It is understood among his friends that he has proved a success in turning up things for the Bureau of Municipal Research, being made at the instance of the civic survey committee. At the committee's offices yesterday, no information could be obtained, as it is a rule of the bureau that each of its experts becomes a unit in the organization and no personal exploitation is allowed.

The World's New York correspondent, however, furnishes the following: NEW YORK, Jan. 15.—Clement Driscoll was a young reporter on The Evening Journal, where he won the friendship of Mayor Gaynor, who dubbed him "a steam engine in boots." Gaynor first put him at the head of the bureau of weights and measures, where he raised all kinds of trouble because he found supposedly reputable commissionaires measuring their goods where he found supposedly reputable wholesalers and retailers, were using false scales and false measures. Loss of armaments and exposure resulted in a law that made weight-bearing of barker in almost all food products.

Business Men of St. John Again Urge Retention by Canada.

ST. JOHN, N. B., Jan. 15.—At a meeting of the council of St. John board of trade today, the following resolution was adopted: "Whereas the Government of the United States has unjustly placed an embargo upon the importation of Canadian potatoes, and that the Canadian Government be requested to institute an embargo upon the importation into Canada of American potatoes to protect the Canadian growers, and that the Canadian Government be further memorialized to remove this embargo when the United States Government do justice to the Canadian farmers."

Maggie Pepper's Last Visit Here. When Rose Stahl comes to this city next week, playing a week's engagement in her famous departmental store play, "Maggie Pepper," it will be her last visit here in the celebrated Klein play. "Maggie Pepper" has been even a greater success than "The Clonus Lady," which Miss Stahl played for several seasons in America and in Europe.

Dineen's For Your Hat Needs. It is a great satisfaction shopping where you have confidence in the styles and values. For anything in hats you can positively rely on Dineen's, 140 Yonge Street. Today this house offers unusually good values in soft and stiff hats, formerly priced \$2.50, \$3 and \$2.50, now marked down to \$1.95. There is also a spring shipment from the famous Heath Company of London that should appear in smart dresses, priced \$4. Fur caps and knitted wool caps are much in request and are priced about cost to effect a clearance before stock-taking on Feb. 1. For anything in hats or caps try Dineen's.

"PUT DOT IN YOUR P.P.E. UND SCHMOKE IT"



ALARMING CONDITIONS FOUND IN SEVERAL TORONTO SCHOOLS

Inspector's Reports Show That Poor Ventilation, Lack of Accommodation and Corresponding Defects Endanger Health of Pupils.

Scandalous and alarming conditions have been found in many Toronto schools by the different inspectors, who presented their reports to the management committee at its meeting yesterday. At Earlscourt school especially Inspector Rogers found that there was practically no ventilation and that the drainage is in a shocking condition. At St. Clair avenue school the lavatory accommodation is poor and opens into the fresh air supply room. The odors, strong and vile, coming from the abattoirs, cause flies and corresponding danger to the health of the pupils. A new site is required for that school.

The sanitary conditions in several other schools also were condemned. The reports of the four inspectors follow: Inspector Rogers' Report. EARLSCOURT SCHOOL.—There is practically no ventilation in the school. A teacher's lavatory was removed in order to make provision for a dental clinic in the school, and a stall provided for them in the public lavatory instead.

There seems to be no weeping-tile drain around the building on the outside, so that water from the school grounds is in part turned against the walls, drains thru into the basement runs across the floor, and with some considerable difficulty is removed after it forms a body of stream in front of the watercloset. The stonework in a body when I made my inspection.

SHIRLEY STREET SCHOOL.—The ventilation of this building is poor and satisfactory conditions are impossible without opening the windows. The waterclosets are without door or half-doors. There are no outside drinking fountains. The halls are dark and dismal, and the new addition to the build-

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GALLANT RESCUERS ARE GIVEN PRAISE BY DUKE

Prompt Official Action to Save Those Aboard Cobequid Also Highly Commended.

HALIFAX, N. S., Jan. 15.—(Can. Press.)—Charles H. Harvey, local agent of the Canadian marine and fisheries department, has received the following despatch from Hon. J. D. Hazen, minister of marine and fisheries, Ottawa: "His royal highness the governor-general has been graciously pleased to offer his congratulations on the prompt action of the department which has resulted in saving the life of Captain Howson and more than one hundred valuable lives on the steamer Cobequid. He also desires me to convey to the officers and men of the agency who were concerned in the gallant rescue of the persons on the Cobequid, his admiration of their gallant conduct and his sincere congratulations on the success of their work."

SIX MEN MISSING FROM SCHOONER

SEATTLE, Wash., Jan. 15.—(Can. Press.)—When a wireless message announced yesterday that the schooner Wm. A. Garms, waterlogged and ashore on Vancouver Island, had been rescued by the tug Goliath and was being towed by Port Townsend, no mention was made of loss of life. Another message from the Goliath today reported that Captain P. Torloff and five sailors of the Wm. A. Garms were missing. They had left the ship in one of the lifeboats to seek aid for their comrades, and no trace of them has been found.

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