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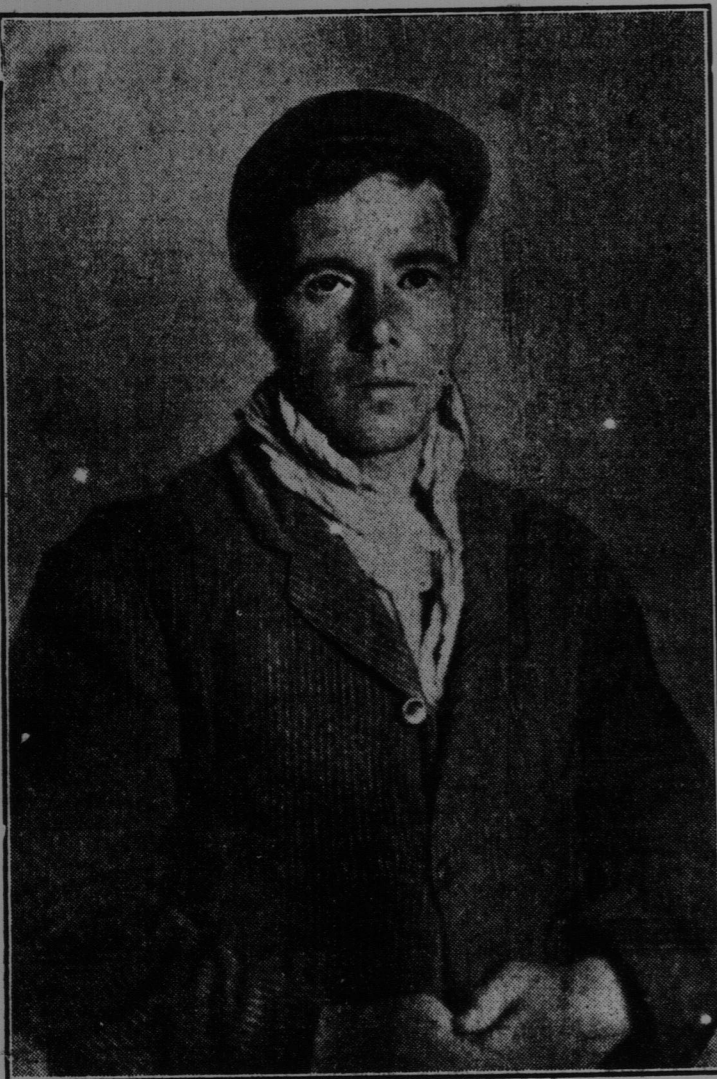
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WOMEN ENGAGE COUNSEL TO DEFEND COLLINS

Young Ladies of Hillsboro Raise Funds and Hon. H. A. McKeown is Retained

Will Act With J. C. Sherren—Solicitor General Jones and Hon. C. N. Skinner Will Conduct the Prosecution—Judge Gregory Will Preside at Court, and Trial Will Begin Tuesday—Collins Cheerful.



THOMAS COLLINS, ACCUSED OF MURDER.

A number of young ladies of Albert County, together with Rev. I. N. Parker and some gentlemen, have interested themselves in the case of Thomas Collins, who is to be tried next week on murder charge, and have retained Hon. H. A. McKeown, of this city, to be associated with J. C. Sherren in Collins' defence.

Believing Collins to be not guilty of the murder of Miss Mary Ann MacAulay, on suspicion of which he is now held, the ladies have raised a fund for the purpose stated.

Besides this, The Telegraph is in a position to state that the prosecution will be conducted by Solicitor-General Jones, assisted by Hon. C. N. Skinner, K. C. Attorney-General Pugsley had intended to act as prosecuting attorney, but owing to the condition of his health and acting under the advice of his physician, he will not attend the trial, but has engaged Hon. C. N. Skinner to act with the solicitor-general.

Judge Gregory to Preside. Mr. Justice Gregory will preside at the trial, which will be begun at Hopewell Cape on Tuesday next. A large number of witnesses have been subpoenaed and the case will probably take several days, providing the grand jury finds a true bill. The indictment for murder will be submitted to them on Tuesday.

Relative to the retaining of Hon. Mr. McKeown, the following special despatch was received last night:

Moncton, N. B., Jan. 10—A number of

Hillsboro ladies and gentlemen, besides Rev. I. N. Parker, are interesting themselves in the case of Thomas Collins, who is to be tried at Hopewell Cape next week on charge of murdering Miss Mary Ann MacAulay at New Ireland. A sum has been collected for the purpose of securing counsel to be associated with J. C. Sherren in the defence of Collins. It is understood the young ladies who were instrumental in collecting the fund intend to employ Hon. H. A. McKeown, of St. John, if possible. J. C. Sherren and Chief Chappell returned this afternoon from Hopewell Cape and the former proceeded to St. John to engage counsel in the defence. Chief Chappell, referring to his visit to Collins, says the prisoner looks exceedingly well, and is in good spirits. The chief said he could hardly realize that Collins could be in such apparent high spirits as had been intimated on the eve of a trial which meant life or death to him. He talked and laughed with Mr. Sherren and the chief of police, relating incidents in his searing life, and to all appearances the trial of next week was far from his mind. He spends his time in quiet reading and drawing. He maintained his buoyant spirits in parting from his counsel after a lengthy interview regarding the trial.

Hon. Mr. McKeown, when asked relative to the foregoing despatch last night, said that it was true that he had been retained to act with Mr. Sherren in the defence of Collins, but beyond that would say nothing at present.

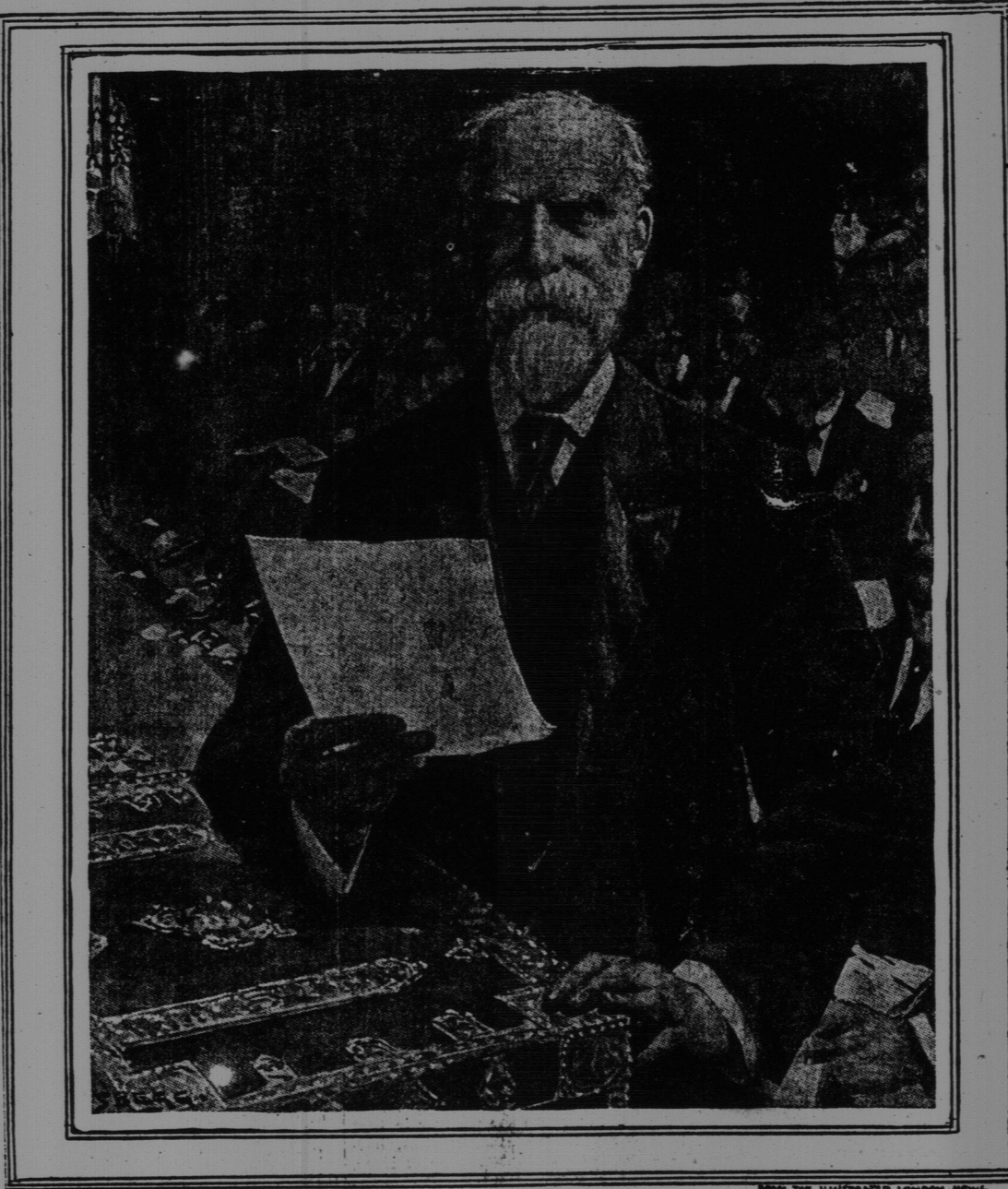
FIFTEEN MEN INCINERATED IN MASS OF MOLTEN METAL

Parts of Twelve Bodies Recovered and Ten Men Are in Hospitals Terribly Burned--Death List May Reach Forty in Pittsburg Explosion.

Pittsburg, Jan. 10—Partial investigation others were so badly injured that amputation of limbs was necessary. A gruesome story was told tonight by Deputy Coroner Laidly who says one foreigner, apparently a youth, became entangled by his injuries and before he could be prevented leaped into a pot of molten metal and was incinerated. Late this afternoon a large force of men, while searching for bodies of the missing men, found the leg of a man embedded in a portion of the metal which they were bringing up. V. L. Jones, vice-president of the Jones & Laughlin Steel Company, Limited, issued the following statement tonight:

"We have been unable to determine what caused the explosion. A rigid investigation has been instituted but it will be two or three days before we will be able to know the cause, if we are able to then. The entire unfortunate affair is a very great mystery to all the officials of the company." In reply to a question as to whether the accident could not have been caused by carelessness or design upon the part of anyone, he said it would be at least three weeks before the furnace could be repaired and that the damage would

GREAT BRITAIN'S NEW AMBASSADOR TO UNITED STATES



"James Bryce, the distinguished author," says the Illustrated London News, "has the best claim to be appointed British ambassador at Washington. He understands the United States as few Britons do, and his book, The American Commonwealth, is a classic. He is a Scotman, and has sat since 1885 as member for the southern division of the city of Aberdeen. He is of Glasgow University and Trinity College, Oxford; musical collector, and former professor of civil law at Oxford, a fellow of the Royal Society, and of learned bodies innumerable at-home and abroad."

COLLISION ON I. C. R. BLOCKS THE LINE

Special with Maritime Express Mails Runs Into Freight Taking the Siding at Bloomfield--Two Cars Off the Track But No One Hurt.

(Special to The Telegraph.) Sussex, N. B., Jan. 10—Wilson's west-bound special, consisting of ten cars, freight van and first class, carrying passengers and mails from the Maritime express, collided with No. 12 fast freight from St. John at Bloomfield at 2:30 o'clock tonight.

No. 12 train was taking the siding to cross the special, and was part way when the engine on the special track struck No. 12, throwing two cars off the track. The engine on the special is slightly damaged. No one was hurt, and the cause of the accident is not known. An auxiliary train was ordered from Moncton. It will be some hours before the main line is clear. The Halifax express, No. 10, will be detained at Hampton until the line is clear.

MONCTON TEMPERANCE PEOPLE ENDORSE FOUR FOR ALDERMEN

Cannot Find a Suitable Man Willing to Run for Mayor--School Girl Collapses From Cold.

(Special to The Telegraph.) Moncton, Jan. 10—Henrietta Atkinson, a pupil of the High school, on reaching school this morning from her home in Sunny Brae, a mile and a half distant, fell insensible on the school steps, numbed and chilled with the cold. Medical aid was called and restoratives applied, after which she revived and was taken home. No serious results are anticipated. Two links of Chatham curlers are in the city en route to Truro to play for the McLellan cup.

At a meeting of the civic reform and temperance league tonight it was decided to support Ald. McLean and Dr. McCaig in ward 3 and bring out P. N. Crandall in ward 2. It was also decided to support Ald. Robinson. The mayoralty candidate wanted has not consented to run.

CHAS. H. MCINTYRE RE-ELECTED PRESIDENT OF CANADIAN CLUB

Mayor Fitzgerald to Help Organization in Crusade to Get "L" Road Take Dominion Money for Fares.

Boston, Jan. 10—The Canadian Club, at its annual meeting this evening, decided to cooperate with Mayor Fitzgerald in the effort to persuade the Boston elevated railway to accept Canadian money in payment of fares. The club chose Charles H. McIntyre as president, Asa R. Minard as secretary, and George W. Wright as treasurer.

WILL BOYCOTT FRENCH GOODS

Ottawa Knights of Columbus Resent Treatment of Catholic Church

A STRONG RESOLUTION

Pledge Themselves and Families to Refrain from Buying Any of the Products of France Till She Undoes the Wrong Against Their Religion.

(Special to The Telegraph.) Ottawa, Jan. 10—Because of the attitude of the French government towards the church the following resolution was unanimously adopted by Ottawa Council, No. 485, Knights of Columbus, at its meeting Tuesday:

"Whereas, the action of the French government in enforcing the separation laws recently enacted against the Catholic church requires that drastic measures should be taken by Catholic societies and Catholics, generally, in entering their solemn protest against that government's attitude in the manner in which it is persecuting the church in France.

"And whereas, the most effective means in the opinion of this council to bring this persecuting government to a realization of the folly of its willful plunder and desecration of the church, is for the Catholics of this country to boycott all French manufactured goods and other commodities.

"Therefore be it resolved, that the members of the council pledge themselves and their families to refrain from purchasing any goods of French manufacture until such time as the said government restores to the church its full freedom and the property of which it has so wickedly been despoiled and also pledge themselves to do all in their power to induce others to act in a similar manner."

GODLESS COIN IN FRANCE

"Liberty, Equality and Fraternity" Takes the Place of "God Protect France."

Paris, Jan. 8—Finance Minister Caillaux has directed the authorities of the mint to substitute on all coins the words "Liberty, Equality and Fraternity" for the old device of "God Protect France," in accordance with the amendment to the budget appropriation, forming a coin which was adopted by the chamber of deputies.

REV. MR. KUHRING SPOKE AT FREDERICTON

Principal Speaker at Anniversary of Canadian Bible Society—Other News of the Capital.

(Special to The Telegraph.) Fredericton, N. B., Jan. 10—The second anniversary of the Fredericton auxiliary of the Canadian Bible Society was celebrated this evening by a well attended mass meeting at the Opera House. The president, Dr. Inch, occupied the chair, and clergymen of the city occupied seats on the platform. Dr. Inch, in his opening remarks, announced that it was the eighty-fifth anniversary of the organization of the Fredericton auxiliary. He mentioned the names of those who had been identified with the local branch, and paid a tribute to their memory.

The programme consisted of scriptural readings, by Rev. Sub-Dean Street; prayer, by Rev. Mr. McConnell; address, by Rev. G. A. Kuhring, of St. John's Stone church; musical selections, by an united choir under the leadership of Professor Harrison, and the benediction by Rev. Canon Cowie.

Secretary Sampson's report showed receipts for the year amounting to \$1,029.10 and expenses of \$453.14, leaving a balance of \$575.96. He announced that the following officers had been elected for the ensuing year: Honorary president, J. S. Hoek; president, Dr. Inch; vice-presidents, J. W. Johnston and J. W. Spinden. The board of directors is composed of representatives of the different churches.

Rev. Mr. Kuhring, who was the principal speaker, delivered an eloquent address dealing with the work of the Canadian Bible Society, and was listened to with the closest attention. He spoke of the great influx of immigrants of many nationalities to the Canadian Northwest, and told of the efforts the Bible society is making to reach them with the word of God and of the great assistance it is rendering to different missionary organizations.

The reverend gentleman was tendered a hearty vote of thanks at the close of his able address. The annual meeting of the Fredericton Board of Trade will be held on Monday afternoon.

Mrs. R. W. Gregory broke her knee by falling on the icy sidewalk. Mrs. Maurice Allen, of Marysville, was injured by a flying rock and died from the effects in a few hours. Fleury had put in the blast, ignited the fuse and was contemplating a place of safety when the explosion occurred. A flying rock struck Fleury in the right temple, piercing the brain and causing death in a short time. The unfortunate man was 44 years old, was a native of Quebec province and had lived at Kingsmere for several years. He leaves a wife and two small children.

LONDON TO MONTREAL IN LESS THAN FIVE DAYS

Company Proposes Twenty-Five Knot Service Across Atlantic.

Plan to Run from Irish Port to Halifax in Three and a Half Days—Would Have Car Ferries from Britain to Blacksood Bay--Will Ask \$1,000,000 Annual Subsidy from Canada and \$500,000 from Great Britain.

(Special to The Telegraph.) Montreal, Jan. 10—According to a prospectus received here the Great Britain, Ireland and Canada express route which proposes to operate a twenty-five knot service from Blacksood Bay, Ireland, to Halifax will seek \$1,000,000 subsidy annually from the Canadian government and \$500,000 a year from the imperial exchequer. The project is outlined as follows: 1—The establishment of a service between Halifax and Blacksood Bay of a line of first class steamships capable of crossing the Atlantic in three and a half days, at an average speed of twenty-five knots per hour. 2—The establishment of ferries between the east coast of Ireland and the west coast of Scotland and England by means of steamships so constructed as to be capable of conveying passengers and goods trains entire from port to port without disturbing passengers or unloading trucks. 3—The construction of such railways in Ireland as may be necessary in conjunction with existing lines to provide for an express passenger service between Blacksood Bay and the east coast at a speed of not less than fifty miles per hour. The distance between Blacksood and Halifax is 2,100 miles, and with twenty-five knot steamers the trip will be made in three and a half days. The distance between Blacksood and London, 654 miles, would be covered in about fourteen hours and between Halifax and Montreal in eighteen or twenty hours, so that mails could be conveyed from the post office in London to the post office in Montreal in less than five days, and from London to Chicago in less than six days, and from London to the Pacific coast in nine days. With proper steamers on the Pacific coast it would be possible to deliver the mails in Japan in seventeen days and to Hong Kong in about twenty-two days.

It is stated that the scheme had the support of the Lenton Clark Company, Chapman, Milne & Grenfell, Vickers Sons & Maxim, Swan & Hunter, and Lord Strathcona. The approximate capital authorized by the bill is £1,250,000. Regarding the transatlantic service it is estimated that a weekly service of three steamers of 24 1/2 knots would cost \$2,250,000, and a weekly service of two additional steamers would bring the cost up to \$4,000,000. John Dillon promised to support the project. It is stated that the building of the steamers depends upon the anticipated assistance of the imperial and Canadian governments. The meeting decided to forward the project in every way.

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Strathcona in Company. Montreal, Jan. 10—A special London cable says: A representative conference

was held today at Ballina for the purpose of considering the proposals and submitting to parliament at the forthcoming session a bill entitled the Collooney-Ballina-Beimille-Blys Piers bill, for the construction of 100 miles of railway from Sligo to Mayo and the construction of a deep water pier at Blacksood Bay, preliminary to the running of a fast line of steamers to Canada.

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TWELVE TARIFF ITEMS OUT OF 711 PASSED THURSDAY

Much Discussion Whether Ontario Farmers Are High Protectionists--Binder Twine Exempted from the Dumping Clause--Laurier Asks Opposition to Give Mr. Hyman a Chance to Recover.

(Special to The Telegraph.) Ottawa, Jan. 10—In the commons today R. L. Borden asked for some further information concerning Mr. Hyman. He pointed out that there had been no formal resignation of the seat and that although the resignation of the portfolio was regular and received by the premier it was not forwarded to the governor-general. That was the position when the house rose for recess. He wanted to know how the matter stood now. The question of resigning the seat was simple. It required only a declaration. While there were certain circumstances connected with this case which were unavoidable, still there had been some explanation.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier said that he had no communication from Mr. Hyman since the house adjourned for the holidays. He did hear from one very close friend, and he was sorry to say that Mr. Hyman's condition was very unfavorable. It was a serious one. The premier was not yet with him and therefore he would ask the opposition for a little more delay.

Tariff Changes. The tariff resolutions were then taken up in committee of the whole. The finance minister said that there were one or two changes he desired to make to the resolutions and he was not making any reference to the items of the tariff. These changes were not serious. In regard to section 6, page 5, he added: "Such special duty or dumping duty as paid on such articles although not otherwise dutiable." This was added to the dumping clause. In reply to Mr. Borden, Mr. Fielding explained that unless the article is of a class or kind made in Canada and therefore coming into competition with something made in Canada the dumping duty would not take effect. There were a number of things placed on the free list and which are manufactured in Canada for instance, cream separators have been on the free list for some years, notwithstanding that it is manufactured in Canada and it has to be manufactured in Canada in competition with the world. It was shown to the tariff commission that the foreign makers of separators were selling goods in Canada in such a way as to drive the Canadian makers to the wall. While the Canadian manufacturer had to compete against the world it was not right that he should have to contend with the class of competition which he had mentioned.

Binder Twine Ex-empt from the Dumping Clause. Mr. Fielding moved another amendment to the same section providing that in addition to the goods already specified in the resolution as being exempt from the dumping clause, should be added binder twine. He said this was done because they found that a considerable export trade was done by at least two Canadian companies to the United States, and if the dumping duty

was imposed it would conflict with the American tariff and lead to the export of Canadian trade being cut off. Mr. Fielding showed that the Bradford Cordage Company, in Mr. Cook's constituency, approved the proposition, and the amendment was passed.

Jurisdiction Over Combines. Mr. Fielding offered an amendment to the clause about the disclosure of confidential list providing that instead of "any court of justice" for the purpose of getting the government to place the article on the free list providing that instead of "any court of justice" there should be inserted "supreme court, exchequer court, or superior court or county court in Canada." The words "any court of justice" were somewhat vague.

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Mr. J. Logan asked the minister of finance if the resolutions were to be left in committee, as he had a resolution to put, confirming the preference to goods imported at Canadian ports. He had intended to have proceeded with the discussion before the house adjourned for recess, but was asked by some of the members to wait until after the holidays, which he did. The debate would take place on the first government day next week. Mr. Fielding said that the resolutions would be left in committee, and Mr. Logan would have an opportunity of putting his resolution. The items of the tariff were next taken up, one by one. Several items were adopted. A discussion arose as to whether or not the farmers wanted protection. Mr. Fielding said that here and there farmers were found to favor protection on their products, but the great bulk of the farmers that appeared before the commission favored a low tariff. Dr. Stockton has given notice of a resolution that legislation should be had in the United Kingdom and other British dominions possessing responsible government, so that when an alien becomes naturalized and has taken an oath of allegiance in the United Kingdom or any part of the British dominions, he shall be entitled to all political and other rights, powers and privileges and subject to all obligations of a natural born British subject in all parts of the British empire. A return was presented in parliament on the order of Mr. Ames, showing that the Royal Foundry & Machine Company, of Moncton, of which Mr. Emmons is a director, bought from the Intercolonial during the past three years 1,150 pounds of scrap iron for which they paid \$11.50, or at the rate of \$20 a ton. Other companies only paid at the rate of \$10 a ton for scrap iron from the railway. There were twelve items of the tariff passed out of 711 today.