TASCHEREAU THINKS BINET WAS SLAYER

Quebec Premier Asserts No One Being Shielded in Murder Case.

GRILLED BY LAVERGNE

Uncle of Dead Girl Creates Sensation by Story of Search.

Quebec, Dec. 21.—(By Canadian Press.)—That Raoul Binet, one of the men who were arrested for the murder of Blanche Garneau, is the assassin, is the belief of Premier D. A. Taschereau.

Hon. Mr. Taschereau was the principal witness this afternoon before the royal commission which is investigating all the circumstances surrounding the mysterious murder, which has for more than two years agitated public opinion of all parts of the province.

"I believe Binet guilty," said the premier, "but I do not say he is guilty. There is quite a difference between saying one believes a man is guilty and saying he undoubtedly is guilty."

Mr. Taschereau swore the attorney-general's department had done all that was possible to discover the murderers, and that no person had ever been protected or shielded in connection with the crime.

He was submitted to a very long and close examination by Armand Lavergne, K.C., counsel for John S. Roberts, who is in custody for violating the dignity and honor of the Quebec Legislature by publishing an article in his paper.

Coroner Joliceur of Quebec and Jules Garneau, an uncle of the murdered girl, were the principal witnesses at the morning sessions of the commission. The coroner explained many of the statements which had been made about the manner in which the inquest had been conducted, and Jules Garneau created somewhat of a sensation when he stated that he had visited the spot where the girl's body had been found a couple of days after she had disappeared and had not found anything. The body was found in a clump of bushes eight days after Blanche Garneau had failed to return home from her work.

ISSUE OFFICIAL EDICT FOR BOYS' ASSEMBLY

Sessions To Be Held at Toronto Parliament Buildings On Dec. 27, 28 and 29.

Toronto, Dec. 21.—An official proclamation calling for the assembling of the second older boys' parliament of the province of Ontario in the Legislative Chambers, Queen's Park, Toronto, on December 27, 28 and 29, was issued yesterday afternoon under signatures of Howard A. Hall, chairman, and C. F. Plewman, secretary, respectively, of the Ontario Boys' Work Board, which is representative of all the evangelical churches of the province and also the Young Men's Christian Association.

The aim of the parliament is stated to be: "To enlist the services of Canadian standard efficiency test boys in everything that has to do with the social, moral and spiritual welfare of the boy life of our province, and to provide them with a means of self-government and expression in order that they may render their best contribution and assume their rightful place in Canada's national movement for boys."

BAZAAR AT DORCHESTER NETS $100 FOR ANGLICANS

Numerous Patrons Purchase Appropriate Gifts At Annual Christmas Fete.

Special to The Advertiser.

Dorchester, Dec. 21.—The town hall was very prettily decorated Thursday last for the annual bazaar of St. Peter's Anglican Church.

During the afternoon and evening many eager buyers visited the various booths. The conveners were: Fancy-work and serving booth, Mrs. Knight and Mrs. Hale; tea-room, Mrs. Topham and Mrs. Hamm; home-cooking, Mrs. T. Harris, Mrs. Dunn and Mrs. Irwin; convener of A. Y. P. A. booth and program, Mrs. F. Gould; reception committee, Mrs. (Rev.) Sutton, Mrs. Rickard and Miss Parker.

During the evening an excellent program, consisting of vocal solos, violin and piano numbers, duets and readings, was rendered. Rev. H. Sutton was chairman.

The proceeds amounted to $100.

The Ladies' Aid of the Presbyterian Church met in the basement of the church recently and elected the following officers for the ensuing year: President, Mrs. T. McFarlane; first vice-president, Miss J. Strathdee; second vice-president, Mrs. (Rev.) Stewart; treasurer, Mrs. Clare Brodie; secretary, Miss L. Brodie; pianist, Mrs. (Rev.) Stewart; assistant pianist, Miss J. Strathdee.

Proceeds of the recent tea-meeting amounted to $206.50.

Rev. Mr. Stewart spent a few days last week the guest of friends at Alexandria.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Warner Hunt left on Tuesday for St. Petersburg, Fla., where they will spend the winter months.

HAYS GIVES ARBUCKLE CHANCE TO COME BACK

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 21.—Roscoe Fatty Arbuckle today was given a Christmas pardon by Will H. Hayes, movie czar, who banished him from filmdom almost a year ago.

Arbuckle was barred from the films following his acquittal of charges of manslaughter in connection with the death of Virginia Rappe.

In announcing the pardon, Hayes declared that he believed the spirit of Christmas and of Christ's teaching would serve as a guide, both for Arbuckle in his future conduct and for the public attitude toward him.

EDMONTON ESKIMOS WIN.

Edmonton, Dec. 20.—Eskimos retained their unbeaten record in the Western Canada League here tonight, scoring their fourth consecutive victory by defeating Calgary 4 to 2.

Declines To Restrain Pastor From Preaching

"Covenanters" In Toronto Presbyterian Church Make Application Before Supreme Court—Temporary Injunction Refused—But Trial Of Action Yet To Come.

Toronto, Dec. 21.—"Doesn't this verge on the ridiculous?" asked Mr. Justice Mowat at Osgoode Hall today when C. C. Grant asked for an interim injunction to restrain Rev. J. W. S. Lowry from occupying the pulpit of the Reformed Presbyterian Church on Bloor street, or from acting in any capacity in that church.

Mr. Grant represented five members who styled themselves "Covenanters," although the judge pointed out that 87 other members might dispute the boasted monopoly. His lordship termed the 87 "contents" and the five "malcontents." When Mr. Grant objected to the second classification the court changed it to "stalwarts."

The interim injunction was refused after a long argument, but some interesting statements were made, historical, theological, national and international.

The plaintiffs in the action, which is to go to trial ultimately, are Thomas Davidson, caretaker; Robert Logan, cutter; Martha Barnett and Mary Nutt. The defendants are Thomas Barry, Robert Cockburn, Neil McArthur, George Cockburn, and others, both as trustees and personally.

D. W. Saunders, K.C., appeared for the defendants, or, presumably, the 87. Regarding the 87, however, Mr. Grant explained that a number of the 87 were "quiescent."

Affidavits by Martha Barett, Mrs. Ann Angus Durham, of Mount Ridges, Davison and Logan complained that Mr. Lowry was a member of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, although it was suggested during the court debate that once he had been a member of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, but not a minister of that body. These deponents had never known anyone but a Reformed Presbyterian to administer communion or baptism in a Reformed Presbyterian Church, with the one exception of Mr. Lowry.

Mr. Grant insisted that the founders of the Bloor Street Church had desired to worship as had their ancestors, the victims of Claverhouse.

"Is there a presbytery?" asked the judge.

"No," answered Mr. Grant. "It has lapsed."

But the Reformed Presbyterian Church existed in the United Sates. In fact, the Bloor Street Church, at the outset, had been known as the Toronto and Pittsburg Church.

"Is there any difference in the doctrine?" his lordship inquired.

The communion table in the Reformed Presbyterian Church was "fenced." In other words, only a duly qualified minister of the denomination was qualified to conduct the sacrament. It was not argued, the judge learned, that the "kist o' whustles," a pipe organ, had invaded the Toronto edifice, neither was it shown that hymns were used, but the Presbyterian Church in Canada allowed such latitude, and, therefore, Mr. Lowry was not acceptable to the five "Covenanting" members of the congregation.

EXPECT AGREEMENT ON STRAITS ISSUE

All Indications Point To Signing of Lausanne Convention in Few Days.

Lausanne, Dec. 21.—Both Turkish and allied delegations relaxed in their attitude yesterday and discussed control of the Straits in such a conciliatory spirit that theer is every indication that some sort of Straits convention may be signed in a very few days.

The note of the United States that it does not regard an international commission as necessary undoubtedly bore fruit, as Lord Curzon gave careful consideration to Ismet Pasha's plea that Turkey would consider international interference with Turkey's affairs as "worse than death."

An agreement will likely be reached exempting the demilitarized zone along the Straits from control by the proposed international commission, which will have jurisdiction only over navigation of the Straits, leaving pilotage to the Turks.

Ismet Pasha also pleaded for further guarantees for the safety of Constantinople than those which would be offered by the League of Nations, and proposed additional guarantees similar to those given to the Aland Islands. He insisted that Turkey must have further assurance from the important powers individually and collectively that her territory will not be violated. He accepted in principle the fundamental provisions for control of the Straits outlined by the allies, but pleaded that Turkey must have her sovereign rights thoroughly safeguarded.

Lord Curzon, M. Barere, Baron Hayashi, M. Spalaikovitch and other speakers expressed great satisfaction over Turkey's conciliatory attitude. Lord Curzon, after hearing Ismet's statement of the Turkish position, said that Ismet's acceptance of the general principles of free passage as outlined by the allies now made it possible to discuss details of the practical application of those principles. He expressed sympathy with Ismet's anxiety lest Turkey's sovereignty should be affected by the proposed treaty, but pointed out that in a measure every power surrendered some of its sovereign rights when it negotiated treaties.

He mentioned the Great Lakes treaty between Canada and the United States as one which in a sense limits the sovereignty of the two governments, but is in no sense an offence against the sovereignty of either, and contended that the proposed regulation of the Straits was the same.

"IF I RULE, I RULE ALONE" CRIES BACHELOR MAYOR

Hamilton, Dec. 20.—"There will be no wedding bells at the city hall as far as I am concerned," announced Mayor Coppley, who is a bachelor. "If I am here next year there will be no mayoress."

The mayor issued the statement in reply to propaganda that is being circulated. Last year every Roman Catholic candidate for municipal honors was defeated, and the mayor has declared that someone has started a story that he is planning to wed a Roman Catholic widow whom, he says, he has not had even the honor of meeting.

ELECT WOJCISCHOWSKI PRESIDENT OF POLAND

Special to The Advertiser.

Berlin, Dec. 20.—Stanislaus Wojcischowski, candidate of the Left, has been elected president of Poland, by the National Assembly, according to a dispatch from Warsaw. He succeeds President Narutowicz, who was assassinated.

MANY FACE DEATH FROM STARVATION

Towns in Anatolia Destroyed Without Apparent Military Necessity.

Geneva, Dec. 20.—Towns and villages over an area of 200 square kilometres in Anatolia were destroyed without apparent military necessity during the fighting between Greeks and Turkish Nationalists, according to reports from representatives of the International Red Cross, received at headquarters here.

One hundred and eighty thousand persons, mostly women and children, are homeless and lacking proper food supplies, and are digging the ground for herbs with which to sustain life. These people, existing in the utmost misery, face death from starvation and disease unless prompt aid is given by the Turkish Red Cross or some other well-equipped relief organization.

FIND 'KATIE ECCLES' NEAR TIMBER ISLAND

Schooner Wrecked in November Discovered in 80 Feet of Water.

Special to The Advertiser.

Kingston, Dec. 20.—The wreck of the schooner Katie Eccles was found on Tuesday by J. W. Cole, Cape Vincent, N. Y., at a point near Timber Island and Nine-Mile Point, just opposite the upper gap. She is sunk in about 80 feet of water, and was found by her topmasts, which showed above the water.

Mr. Cole was making a tour of lighthouses at Pigeon Island, False Ducks, and Timber Island, taking off the lighthouse keepers. He reported his find to the Pyke Wrecking and Salvage Company, and efforts may be made to salvage the coal cargo next spring.

The schooner left Oswego on Sunday night, Nov. 6, with 300 tons of hard coal, for the Schuster Coal Company, Belleville. She encountered a high gale, with a blizzard of snow, and her commander, Captain Harry Mitchell, with the assistance of the cook, Mrs. Mary Lloyd, and a boy named Hugh Mitchell, navigated her safely to Timber Island that night. Anchors were cast out, but did not hold, and as the rudder post was broken, Captain Mitchell, Mrs. Lloyd, and the boy sought safety on shore.

The schooner drifted away on Wednesday night, Nov. 29, and that was the last heard of her. It was felt that she had foundered somewhere, owing to the heavy seas and gales that lasted for some days, Captain Mitchell, Mrs. Lloyd and the boy were discovered and taken to the mainland on Nov. 30.

ST. THOMAS CHINESE PAY FOR VISIT OFFICIALS PAY

Special to The Advertiser.

St. Thomas, Dec. 20.—When Mahomet does not come to the mountain in St. Thomas, the mountain goes to Mahomet.

Sixteen young Chinese residents of the city found this out, yesterday afternoon, when they were visited by Assessment Commissioner J. P. Freek, Assistant Tax Collector R. A. Heard, and members of the police department, and requeste dto square their poll tax indebtedness with the city.

The Celestials responded to a man. A similar campaign in connection with other young delinquents of the city, who were not born in the land of the rising sun, is planned. A clear poll-tax sheet by the end of the year is the council's slogan.

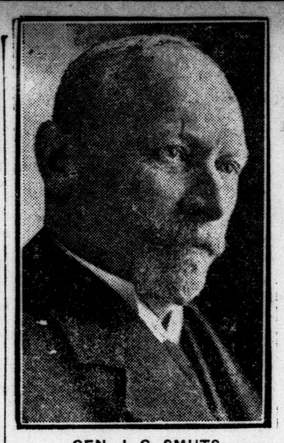
Tells How Fireman "Billy" Gow Rendered Aid To Stranded Party

Sault Ste. Marie, Dec. 21.—"Billy" Gow, fireman of the tug Reliance, which grounded off Lizard Island on December 13, did not swim to the island carrying a rope to tow the others over, as announced from the Spanish River Paper Company offices on Tuesday, apparently through a misinterpretation of a wireless message relayed from the rescuing tug Gray, but his story is a remarkable one, for all that.

When the Gray commenced its journey to pick up lighthouse-keepers, Gow took the place of the Gray's fireman, who had been taken ill, but Joe Menard, Walter Longpre and Adelard Richard tell an interesting story of how Gow got to the island from the tug on Sunday.

"Gow did not swim ashore with a rope around him, or anything else," said Menard. "He took two doors off the pilot-house, putting them on top of each other and tying them together with string. Then taking a lifebuoy from the boat he put it on the raft he had made, and, placing his knees on the lifebuoy and sitting on his heels, he made his way to shore. He was in water up to his waist even then. The wind was blowing toward the island, and that's how he got there."

"Gow was the last man to leave the Reliance," Longpre said. "And much credit is due him for staying there."



GEN. J. G. SMUTS,
premier of South Africa, the condition of whose health is giving rise to alarm.

OUTLINES REMEDY FOR LABOR SLUMP

Sir William Hicks Declares Britain Must Develop Inter-Empire Trade.

ADVISES EMIGRATION

Believes Dominions and Mother Country Would Both Profit.

London, Dec. 21.—(Canadian Press Cable.)—Sir William Joynson Hicks, secretary for overseas trade, was the guest of the Overseas Institute at luncheon today. Addressing the gathering, he emphasized that the sole remedy for present unemployment in Great Britain was the development of inter-empire trade.

Sir William cited figures showing that all the dominions imported less from Great Britain and more from the United States in the last year for which records were available.

Referring to Canada, he said he did not blame her. She was entitled to buy in the most suitable market. Sir William also cited figures showing that Canada in 1911 took, per head of population, $16 worth of goods from Great Britain and $46 from the United States, while the 1922 figures were, respectively, $13 and $59.

The overseas trade minister said the development of their own industries by the dominions was not reason for complaint. Therein lay prosperity for themselves which could not other than do good for the prosperity of Great Britain.

Urges Emigration.

There was, said the speaker, a strong demand in the dominions having nascent industries for protection against the whole world, including Great Britain. Great Britain had to face this fact. He could only ask in the forthcoming economic conference for suggestions for the improvement of inter-imperial trade in the full realization that there will be no suggestion of any kind by the imperial representatives that the dominions should in any wise give up the industries they have started.

Sir William emphasized the need of emigration both from the viewpoint of Great Britain and the dominions. He said Great Britain recognized that emigrants must be of the best type. He expressed the opinion, amid wild cheers, that instead of paying out one hundred millions in unemployment doles it would have been better to devote fifty millions to a great scheme of state-aided emigration and in placing men in a position to become desirable citizens of the dominions. He added that every man so placed was a potential purchaser of British exports.

$500,000 IN BOOZE SEIZED ON SHIP

U. S. Prohibition Squad Intercepts Attempt To Land Liquor.

Special to The Advertiser.

New York, Dec. 20.—Desperate attempts of the rum-running fleet off the three-mile limit to land liquor in New York for Christmas trade resulted in the capture of a ship carrying $500,000 worth of whiskey during the night, it was announced by Prohibition Director Appelby today. The ship, making a desperate dash for land with 4,090 cases aboard, was caught off Sandy Hook by the Hanson, flagship of the dry navy.

It was declared to have been one of several that left the Bahamas a few days ago with cargoes of Christmas cheer for New York. The skipper, however, insisted to Captain Dysart of the Hanson, that he was en route to Canada, but started to put in here when his engine broke down.

SEEKS COMMISSION TO FIX REPARATION

Germany Asks United States to Act—France Refuses Request.

By A. L. BRADFORD.
Special to The Advertiser.

Washington, Dec. 21—Germany has proposed to the United States and the allies the appointment of an expert commission to fix a just reparation figure within her capacity to pay.

France, through Premier Poincare, has just summarily rejected the German proposal, according to information reaching highly authoritative quarters here direct from Paris.

These important international developments are clearly indicative of the task confronting this government in its efforts to find a practical way to solve the critical European situation, and in some measure explain why the United States is shrouding its moves with secrecy, and acting with extreme caution.

FAVORS 1923 WHEAT POOL.

Calgary, Dec. 30.—Resolutions favoring a wheat pool for 1923 and a board to handle the grain until a pool can be satisfactorily established will be submitted to the delegates of the United Farmers of Alberta when the annual convention meets here in January, it was announced today.

DRURY LAUDS PLAN FOR ELECTRIC ROAD

Premier Drury Commends Announcement of Sir Henry Thornton.

TORONTO'S MAYOR ROUSED

Asks C. N. R. President to State Stand on Hydro Radials.

Special to The Advertiser.

Toronto, Dec. 21.—"I consider Sir Henry Thornton's announcement of policy exceedingly sound and businesslike, and one which admits of great benefit to the whole province," declared Premier Drury today, when questioned regarding the statement of the head of the National Railways that an examination will be made as to electrification of portions of the system between Toronto and Hamilton and Niagara and Toronto, and Cobourg.

"It seems to forecast not only a policy which would adequately cope with the necessities of suburban traffic in the vicinity of Toronto, but one which might be extended to branch lines of the Canadian National and Grand Trunk systems over the whole province of Ontario," the premier added. "I think it is a good public policy."

FEARS RADIAL DEFEAT.

Canadian Press.

Toronto, Dec. 21.—As a result of the announcement by Sir Henry Thornton, president of the Canadian National Railways, forecasting the electrification of at least a portion of the National Railways system between Toronto and Niagara Falls, Mayor Maguire of Toronto today sent Sir Henry the following telegram: "Your statement of today regarding possible electrification of the National Railways between Toronto and Niagara Falls and Toronto and Cobourg, is being used by opponents of public ownership to help in defeat of vote on proposed Toronto-Niagara hydro radial line, which will be feeder of National Railways, and will include N. S. and T. lines, on which the hydro commission holds option on behalf of municipalities from the government. Toronto suburban has already been taken over by the city as part of this option.

"Are you joining with the C. P. R. in opposing hydro radials, which will give service that a national railway cannot give, even if electrified, and which will be feeder for National Railways and competitor of the C. P. R.?

"Please rush reply, as your statement as published today is being used to defeat hydro radial bylaws that are being voted on Jan. 1 in Toronto, Hamilton and other hydro municipalities."

THORNTON IS SILENT.

Special to the Advertiser.

Quebec, Dec. 21.—Asked whether he had anything further to add to his statement, issued last evening, regarding the possibility of electrification of the national roads and the possibility of the railway entering into direct competition with the hydro radial, Sir Henry Thornton, who is spending the day here, said he had nothing further to state.

On the other hand, one of the members of the party stated: "We do not want to have anything to do with any possible controversy with the hydro radials."

$40,000 DAMAGE IN BRANTFORD FIRE

Establishment of W. L. Hughes, Limited, Gutted by Early Morning Blaze.

Brantford, Dec. 21.—The third of a series of fires, and the second conflagration to occur at Brantford in 24 hours, broke out at 12:30 this morning and completely gutted the establishment of W. L. Hughes, Limited, ladies' clothiers, 127 Colborne street. The loss is estimated between $35,000 and $40,000.

The alarm was turned in by a police officer, who discovered smoke issuing from the windows. The firemen found it necessary to place twelve streams of hose in operation before the blaze was brought under control at 1:40 this morning.

The fire is believed to have originated in the basement of the store.

The stocks of Regent Tailors, 129 Colborne street, and Charles Smyth, 125 Colborne street, were damaged by smoke and water.

THIEVES AT BLENHEIM STEAL 25 AUTO TIRES

Jump Into Motor and Escape Before Constable Could Halt Them.

Special to the Advertiser.

Blenheim, Dec. 21.—This morning, about 3 o'clock, a door at the rear of Flater and Henry's garage, on the main street of the town, was forced open and 25 new auto tires stolen. Night Constable John Larabie was in the vicinity at the time, and noticing a large auto across the sidewalk at the rear of the garage, went down to investigate. A man was putting a tire into the auto at the time. He dropped it and jumped into the auto and sped away south, at the end of the block. The constable saw two other men get into the auto and away they went.

The constable states that there appeared to be no marker on the auto. Investigation showed that the thieves had forced open the rear door of the garage and helped themselves, leaving no clue. It is thought that they were familiar with the premises.

FARM HAND TRAMPLED TO DEATH BY HORSES

St. Thomas, Dec. 21.—William Edward Tate, who has been conducting the farm of Mitchell Hepburn, fourth concession of Yarmouth, since the latter's death a few weeks ago, was knocked down and trampled upon by horses yesterday afternoon and died at midnight. His two young sons went to his aid on hearing his cries.

RESCUES IMPERILLED MARINERS.
The tug G. R. Gray, first rescue ship to reach the wrecked tug Reliance, which went on the rocks near Sault Ste. Marie.

Eight Hundred Bottles of Liquor Are Seized By Police At Chatham

Special to The Advertiser.

Chatham, Dec. 21.—Eight hundred bottles of Scotch whiskey, valued at $10,000 in bootlegging currency, were seized by Inspector Side and Provincial Detective Finlay Lowe at the Grand Trunk Railway yards Tuesday evening. This is the second important seizure within a week.

The officers stumbled onto the find quite accidentally. Looking over the contents of a certain car, they were suspicious of eight big packing cases consigned to a reputable Windsor drygoods firm. The suspicions were intensified when the weight, 3,460 pounds, was marked on one big case. Subsequent examination showed that the drygoods were wetgoods. They were very wet, indeed, comprising a brand known as "Sandy McDonald." The local authorities are satisfied that the booze was owned by bootleggers.

It is reported that some strangers, stated to be Jews, were seen hanging around the G. T. R. station during the past two days and evidenced considerable interest in a freight train arriving from Montreal. It was reported today that consternation has been thrown into the ranks of the bootleggers as a result of the two important seizures here within the past week. Rumors are prevalent that the principal bootleggers are planning to hold a secret meeting here to discuss the situation.

It is claimed that the bootleggers are under the belief that the prohibition officers are being tipped off to the supplies of liquor passing through the city by railroad officials of other cities.

RUNAWAY TRAIN MENACES LIVES

Brakes On Lehigh Valley Coal Special Refused To Hold.

Special to The Advertiser.

Whitehaven, Pa., Dec. 21.—Tieing down the whistle on their train as it dashed wildly down a mountain, the crew of the Central Railroad of New Jersey, saved the lives of a Lehigh Valley crew and several who were working in the path of the runaway train. When the brakes of the heavy coal train refused to hold on the steep grade, and the long string of cars rumbled down the mountain at ever increasing speed, the crew had to jump for their lives, but first they tied down the rope on the whistle.

The men below heard the constant shriek of the siren, and fled to safety.

The runaway wrecked an empty Lehigh Valley passenger train, a signal tower, tore up a long stretch of track and derailed itself. No one was injured.

PRINCESS OF GREECE ARRIVES NEW YORK

Former American Girl Wears King's Ransom in Jewelry.

Special to the Advertiser.

New York, Dec. 20. — Wearing a king's ransom in jewelry, Princess Anastasia of Greece, formerly Mrs. Wm. B. Leeds of New York, arrived here today on the White Star liner Olympic.

Incidentally Prince Christopher, brother of the deposed King Constantine, arrived. He is Princess Anastasia's husband. Both of them denied that they had any desire to become the rulers of Greece, which is now being governed pretty largely by a revolutionary committee, although George, son of Constantine, is on the throne.

The princess jewels—all that could be seen—included a rope of pearls, which went twice around her neck, a ring of diamonds and rubies, a wrist watch, studded with diamonds, and a narrow gold bracelet, set with diamonds.

There were other gems beneath her Kolinsky fur coat. Anatasia was a hymphony in brown, from her brown hat to her brown shoes. Her manner was chatty and vivacious.

Her prince, on the other hand, was a bit disposed to be shy. He took off his hat rather diffidently, exposing a head inclined toward baldness. His English was perfect, his carriage that of a successful businessman.

BLENHEIM FORESTERS NAME 1923 OFFICERS

Special to The Advertiser.

Blenheim, Dec. 21.—The local Court Blenheim, No. 526, Canadian Order of Foresters, selected at their meeting last night the following officers for the ensuing year: J.P.C.R., Bro. Budd Stewart; C.R., Bro. Bertin Ford; V.C.R., Bro. John Rigby; R.S., Bro. William J. Sterling; F.S., Bro. G. W. Riseborough; treasurer, Bro. W. H. Ferris; chaplain, Bro. C. W. Burk; S.W., Bro. S. E. Irwin; J.W., Bro. S. Buzzard; S.B., Bro. A. P. McDougall; J.B., Bro. W. R. Fellows; auditors, Bros. W. R. Fellows and A. J. McTavish. Installation is to take place at the meeting January 2, at which time the annual supper is to be held.

A quiet wedding took place at the home of Mrs. David Martin, Elizabeth street, on Thursday, when Rev. Dr. G. N. Hazen performed the marriage ceremony, Miss Flossie, her youngest daughter, being the bride and John C. Nichol of town the bridegroom.

STEAL PARTS OF TRUCK FROM BORNHOLME GARAGE

Special to The Advertiser.

Mtchell, Dec. 20.—On Monday night the garage of John Dungey of Bornholm was visited by thieves, who stole the two rear wheels from his motor truck, the generator and several other parts of the machine. Mr. Dungey's loss is estimated at $200.

A fur coat was also taken.

WILL SUBMIT PLAN FOR SEPARATION

Indian National Congress Program Believed To Be Work of Bolsheviki.

London, Dec. 21.—A full program for the separation of India from the British Empire and establishment of the "Federated Republic of India," will be submitted to the Indian National Congress at the annual session of that organization at Gaya, British India, next week, according to information received in British circles. Great interest in the program is evidenced in official circles, where it is said to be the direct work of bolsheviki. The Indian National Congress is the organization which Mohandas Gandhi headed until his arrest and imprisonment early in the year.

The separation scheme, said to have originated with W. N. Roy, an Indian communist living in Berlin, employs the famous communist terminology. It declares the Nationalist movement has reached the stage where adoption of a definite program, as well as definite action, can no longer be deferred.

The ambiguous term "Swaraj," it says, is open to many definitions; therefore a militant program of action is indispensable in order to mobilize all available revolutionary forces. The theory of "equal partnership in the British Commonwealth" is held to be but a "gilded version of imperialism," as only upper classes, the document says, have benefited.

The program goes on to state that British imperialism will never be changed, and that the Indian upper classes will never risk their comfortable present and promising future for real freedom. Therefore, India's immediate task is to involve those elements whose welfare hangs upon realization of the Nationalist's program.

The hope is held that the militant peasantry and workingmen will be organized into soviets, and the unions will accomplish the fulfillment of the program, which includes national independence, freedom from all supervision, abolition of the landlord system, confiscation of the large estates without compensation, and nationalization of the public utilities, which would be owned and operated by the state under the control of the workingmen's committtees.

OLYMPIC REACHES PORT AFTER TERRIBLE VOYAGE

Mammoth Liner Carrying Record Mail Cargo, Arrives at N. Y. in Damaged Condition.

New York, Dec. 21.—When the Olympic was warped into her pier, almost ten hours late, today her skipper reported that he had battled with one of the worst storms he had encountered off the coast in many years. As proof he pointed to portholes smashed in and a small section of the pilot bridge that had been washed away by giant waves.

The steamer ran afoul of a blizzard off Nantucket Island yesterday, and the snow was so thick that she did not report to Nantucket Lightship except by wireless. The Olympic crept along at the lowest possible speed for hours. She brought 10,091 sacks of mail, a record.

Most of the mail, it was said, was Christmas mail from Britain and France. She also brought $3,250,000 in gold, most of which was consigned to J. P. Morgan & Co.

MEETS TERRIBLE DEATH IN BOILING WATER TANK

Sherbrooke, Dec. 21.—Joseph Marters, 37, met a terrible death as a result of an accident at the Veneer and Panel Company's plant at Waterville, Que. He was at work near a tank of boiling water, when he slipped and fell in. Fellow-workers quickly pulled him out and rushed him to the Sherbrooke Hospital, where he died later.

WAS NINE DAYS AT SEA.

Halifax, N. S., Dec. 20.—The Anchor-Donaldson liner Saturnia arrived this morning. The Saturnia was nine days at sea in very stormy weather. A total of 131 passengers landed here. The steamer sailed for New York at 2 o'clock today.

PILFER SHIP CARGO, PAY FINE OF $100

Roy Feere and Charles Brown Convicted in Simcoe Court of Stealing Liquor.

REMOVE FIVE CASES

Lack of Evidence Causes Adjournment in Three Other City of Dresden Actions.

Special to The Advertiser.

Simcoe, Dec. 21.—The five cases in connection with the pillaging of the city of Dresden liquor cargo near Port Rowan, Nov. 15, were aired at Magistrate Gunton's court yesterday and today.

Roy Feere and Charles Brown were taxed $100 and costs each on a charge of removing five cases of liquor from the beach. Brown had handed the spoils over to Inspector Edmonds and Feere was his accomplice.

Del Rockefeller elected trial by jury on a count of stealing from the wreckage.

William Franklin and George Hodges were up on the same charge this afternoon, but lack of crown evidence caused an adjournment until Dec. 27 at 3 o'clock.

Mr. Brewster, K.C., of Brantford, defended accused and had several warm tilts with Crown Attorney Kelly, K.C.

According to a written statement in Inspector Edmonds' custody, Franklin admits having imbibed liquor at the beach, but no testimony was produced to show that either man had liquor on his premises, though the "City of Dresden" nameplate and blocks of timber were found at Franklin's.

Captain McQueen and his son of Amherstburg gave a detailed story of the wreck, the latter stating that everything had been left in the hands of Rockefeller. Evidence was produced to show that marks of barrel rings had been found in Rockefeller's wagon after the wreck.

Lee Beaupre testified that the beach was strewn with cases on the day of the wreck, but they vanished overnight.

A host of witnesses were examined and the court was packed for the two days' session. Inspector Ward, of Toronto, who has charge of the case, who was called to headquarters yesterday, is expected here tomorrow to round up crown witnesses.

JAIL BREAKER GETS 5-YEAR SENTENCE

Simcoe Magistrate Sends William Flock To Kingston For Burglarizing and Escaping Custody.

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Simcoe, Dec. 21.—William Flock, aged 32 years, who escaped from the Simcoe jail on February, 1921, when awaiting transportation to Kingston penitentiary to serve a three-year sentence, and who was recently captured in Detroit, appeared before Magistrtae Gunton yesterday morning.

The prisoner elected to be tried by the magistrate on charges of breaking jail and of burglarizing Waterford stores in October, 1921. He pleaded guilty on both counts and was sentenced to two years in Kingston on the former charge and three years at the same place on the latter, these sentences to run concurrently.

Flock leaves tomorrow in custody of the local officials to serve the sentence at Portsmouth Penitentiary. He has been under very close surveillance during the past week here, and today's session was known to very few citizens.

DETROIT PHYSICIAN PUT UNDER ARREST

Dr. Walter Buchanan Charged With Performing An Illegal Operation.

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Detroit, Dec. 21.—Dr. Walter Buchanan, with offices at 1423 Brush street, was arrested this afternoon on a charge of having performed an illegal operation upon Esther Wegner, 59 West High street. The woman is in a critical condition in Receiving Hospital.

Dr. Buchanan came to public attention several times recently when he complained to the police that neighbors in the vicinity of his home had attacked him in efforts to force him and his negress wife to move. In her statement to an assistant county prosecutor, Miss Wegner said that the address of Buchanan was given her by Chester Rittenhouse, a close personal friend. She had been working as a domestic, she said, and only went to the West High street address because she wanted advice from Rittenhouse. On December 9, she said, the operation was performed by Buchanan. His fee was $35, which she had saved, she asserted.

Last Saturday she was taken to Receiving Hospital in a serious condition.

Judge Marsh had to go to the hospital to obtain her signature to the warrant for the arrest of Buchanan, which was issued today. The arrest was made at once.

When it became known quite a time ago that Dr. Buchanan was married to a negress, the neighborhood showed its displeasure in no unmistakable way. He complained to the police that shots had been fired through the windows of his home, and at one time some unindentified person or persons tried to set fire to the house. Police investigated, but no arrests were made.

LLOYD GEORGE JOURNEY NOT OF POLITICAL NATURE

London, Dec. 21.—(Canadian Press Cable.)—Lloyd George's Christmas party for Algeciras, which the Canadian Press is assured is merely a holiday jaunt and has nothing to do with hatching new political menoeuvres, seems to be growing less as the time for his departure draws near.

Lord Riddell has postponed his departure for a week, Sir Hamar Greenwood is not going at all, and Viscount Birkenhead and Winston Churchill are not joining the ex-premier till after the new year.