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## NOTE FOR THE BY-LAW AND FOR CHEAPER LIGHT, GAS, AND STREET CAR FARES

### COCKBURN NEVER TRIED SOME EVIDENCE WASN'T PRESENTED SO CONSEL AFFIRMED

**How Frank Arnoldi Defends His Charge of \$7500 Against Ex-President—Dwells Upon Importance of His Own Work in Case.**

#### ALSO USED HIS INFLUENCE IN SOME OTHER DIRECTIONS

The first examination of Frank Arnoldi, K.C., for particulars in his suit against G. R. Cockburn, ex-president of the Ontario Bank, for services during the police court proceedings, has hitherto never been made public. As given below it throws some added light on the proceedings. It also shows Mr. Arnoldi as expressing some rather startling opinions.

For instance Mr. Hodgins asked:

"In a letter you make the remark that there are matters you think would be highly improper to disclose to a judge?"

Mr. Arnoldi: "Yes."

"What does that refer to?"

"Do you want me to tell you?"

"That is what I am asking you to state?"

"First of all, at the time of the first proceedings before the magistrate, Mr. Cockburn was never tried at all; the enquiry was wholly directed to Mr. McCall; it never was directed to Mr. Cockburn, and Mr. Cockburn stands to-day, without ever having been tried upon the charge which was put up against him; proper evidence was not even, nor was the matter put in shape to try him. That is one thing. The next thing is there was a whole legion of evidence which did not come before the magistrate at all, which I estimated as of a most dangerous character, and I think it would have been a very serious matter for Mr. Cockburn altogether. It was then and would be now."

#### ANTIS MAY TRY CROOKED WORK

**Citizens Should Assist in Obtaining Honest Vote This Day.**

The passage of the power by-law is by all odds the most important result in to-day's civic elections, keen though the interest may be as to the result of the morality contest.

The terrific campaign of deceit waged by the antis, with the knowledge that it has come from a powerful organization, has aroused the suspicion that some desperate efforts may be made to-day in a "last hope" attempt to stave off defeat. The entire city police department, assisted by a private agency, will be on the alert to prevent any attempts at personation or other illegal work.

#### WHY \$2500 WAS ADDED.

After stating that he had rendered two accounts for his services in defending Mr. Cockburn, the second being in great about March 8, 1907, the examination continued in part as follows:

"When I sent the first account I told Mr. Cockburn that it would be placed at \$2000, hoping that he would accept it at once, and that I considered I was entitled to a great deal more. The second account was not treated as an addition, but as rendering the original claim. There were no further services."

#### MR. HODGINS: HOW DO YOU JUSTIFY THE ADVANCE?

Mr. Arnoldi: Because the first amount was not what I was entitled to by half. I did further service, but that was not the basis of the increase.

"How would you describe it?"

Says he: "As a claim rendered to rectify the account rendered in the first place, which had been rendered at the lesser figure out of consideration for Mr. Cockburn."

"Then the consideration had disappeared between the rendering of the accounts?"

"He had refused to acknowledge any liability."

"Was that the reason for \$2500 increase?"

"Yes, he had refused to accept my generosity."

"What do you mean by saying that he refused to accept your generosity?"

"He came into my office and abused me. He said he thought my account very excessive and that he did not want to harm me by making it public. I felt insulted. I had heard after the last bill was sent that a second prosecution might be instituted, and even then I was concerned for Mr. Cockburn's welfare. I sent for him to discuss the matter. I told him it was foolish to be before the public and that he had better go away and stay away for 12 months and let all unpleasantness be buried and passed out of people's minds, and that he should obliterate himself as far as he could. I think that was at the same interview that he insulted me. He accused me of trying to scare and frighten him into paying me."

#### END OF THE CAMPAIGN.

The morality campaign concludes with all five candidates professing confidence in the result. Beattie Nesbitt's meeting in Broadway Hall last night was the best attended and as cordial as any of those held in his campaign for the mayoralty. By 8 o'clock the standing room only sign was out at the entrance. The platform had an array of the old patriots of the party, Dr. Thomas Wylie, ex-M.P., Simcoe, in the chair; Dr. Barrick, Capt. Tom Wallace, "Canada First," McClelland, "Steve" Burns, C. E. Macdonald, J. A. Macdonald, J. A. Johnston, Dr. Clouse and Post Sabine, who received the most emphatic recognition of anyone, except perhaps Nesbitt himself. The candidate did not arrive until 8.45. He entered while Dr. Barrick was speaking. He spoke for about half an hour and seemed well by his campaign exertions.

Afterwards Dr. Nesbitt went out to the "smoker" and entertainment of the employees of the Eckardt National Casket Co. on Niagara-street. As he was speaking Candidate Oliver happened in and the doctor greeted him cordially and escorted him to the platform.

Ald. Geary held last-minute organization meetings in Ayre's Hall and Euclid-avenue Hall, both being well attended and markedly in his favor.

A prominent Conservative worker for Geary in the Sixth Ward declared last night, with apparent sincerity, that his candidate will be elected by from 1900 to 1908.

Miles Vokes had a most attentive audience in Riverdale, which showed real earnestness in its applause.

At Broadway Hall.

Dr. Nesbitt in his address referred to the editor of The Globe. He had fought many fights in Toronto, but this was the first time he had ever had a knife pulled on him.

"It was only a paper knife, doctor, and wouldn't hurt you," called out a voter. (Laughter.)

The gentlemen who had declared the other evening that they were the only Conservatives in the city had been

#### ANOTHER MINE HORROR.

**Thirty Men Entombed in New Mexico Coal Mine.**

EL PASO, Texas, Dec. 31.—A special to The Herald says that in an explosion in the Carthage Mine, near San Antonio, New Mexico, thirty miners were entombed. It is supposed all are dead.

Nine bodies have been taken out already.

#### NO WORD OF MOUNT ROYAL.

ST. JOHN, N. B., Dec. 31.—(Special.)—No word has yet been received of the overdue steamer Mount Royal.

### BOOR BURST ON HOME EXCHANGE

**Eighteen Persons Hurt in the Outrage and Troops Rush to Rescue.**

ROME, Dec. 31.—A dynamite bomb exploded in the Stock Exchange of this city to-day. Up to the present time it has been ascertained that eighteen persons were wounded. Some of the injured are buried under portions of the building, which have collapsed. Firemen, policemen and troops have been hurried to the scene and are now engaged in calming the excitement and conducting the work of rescue.

It is supposed that the bomb was thrown with the intention of preventing the customary end of the month liquidation.

The roof of the court yard of the exchange collapsed with the force of the explosion, which occurred shortly before 4 o'clock.

The stock exchange is situated in the centre of the city. The people in the vicinity of the buildings were thrown into a state of consternation. The explosion was followed at once by cries of desperation from within the exchange. A large crowd, numbering several thousand, began to gather outside the building. When police and troops arrived they took charge of all the approaches. The fear of other outrages suddenly possessed the throng and the people fled. In the mad rush there was great danger of loss of life and limb. The stock exchange building is close at once swung to and helped to the maintenance of relative order inside the exchange.

Ambulances and doctors have been summoned, and the latter cared for the wounded as they were brought out.

#### THE STOCK EXCHANGE OF ROME IS THE ONE OF THE FINEST REMAINS OF THE ANCIENT CITY.

The Stock Exchange of Rome is the one of the finest remains of the ancient city. It is situated in the Piazza Di Pietra. The temple was built by Hadrian, and is notable for its six massive columns in the Corinthian style of white marble, each one forty-one feet high. The centre portion was built by Agrippa, and is supposed to have been partly supported by these famous columns. They were assembled for this purpose by Pope Innocent XII.

### POLICE CLUBS QUELL RIOT

**Midnight Disorder in City Hall Square Necessitate Calling Out Reserves.**

Police reserves numbering 28 men were called out shortly before 23 last night to disperse a mob of some 2500 people who packed the city hall square and jammed Queen-street from Terulari to Yonge-street.

Some of the crowd engaged in the throwing of stones, ice and broken bottles at the few constables from the neighboring beats who were unable to handle the great throng.

The mob had its beginning in a small row which took place in Yonge-street after the hotels closed at 11 o'clock.

Still fighting and gathering numbers from street hoodlums and the lily white of this crowd made its way south to Queen and Yonge-streets, where it was met and partially dispersed by four patrolmen under P. S. Irwin. But its numbers grew past handling as it made its way along Queen to the city hall steps, where it became violent and turned upon the police.

A hurly call was sent to the Court and Agnes-streets stations. Reserves of 15 men under P. S. Reeves were sent out from the former in the patrol wagon, while 13 men under Sergt. Armstrong came down from Agnes-street. Several of the police were struck by flying missiles, but batons were drawn and in five minutes past midnight the scene was cleared of the mob.

A portion of the dispersed roysters proceeded up Yonge-street, and amused itself by breaking signs. They were followed by the police in reduced numbers and gradually dispersed before a considerable damage had been done.

#### CUSTOMS REVENUES.

The total customs duty collected at Toronto for the month of December, 1907, was \$73,372.20, a decrease of \$67,100.21 over December of 1906.

The total duty collected for the year ending Dec. 31 is \$11,611,267.23, an increase of \$1,661,974.68 over 1906.

At Montreal the customs collections for 1907 total \$16,884,939, an increase of \$2,740,000, the largest receipts in the history of the port.

#### BIG CONVENT BURNED.

FATHER POINT, Que., Dec. 31.—The Large Convent of the Reverend Sisters of Charity at Rimouski was burned to-day.

#### DEATH OF MR. RIMER.

WINNIPEG, Dec. 31.—(Special.)—Francis W. Rimer of Kilgour, Rimer & Co., died to-day.

OBLIGED TO CARRY IT.



MR. TORONTO: Why, if I didn't carry it, I'd never find my way out.

### CRIMINAL NEGLIGENCE MOTORMAN IS CHARGED

**Police Will Prosecute in Case of Sunday Night's "Almost-an-Accident."**

George C. Smith, 95 Beconfield-avenue, motorman of the Queen-street car which struck a southbound G.T.R. train at the Riverdale crossing at 11:15 o'clock Sunday night, will appear in police court Thursday morning, charged with criminal negligence, endangering the lives of 12 persons, who were passengers in the car.

The summons was drawn up at the residence of the motorman yesterday. Detective Nat Guthrie served it on Smith at his house yesterday afternoon. Smith has been under suspension by the company.

The information by the police is that Smith jumped from his car, which was running at a reckless rate. This was after the car had jumped the derailing of the train.

It is understood that Smith admits the excessive speed, but says that he did not leave his car, but ran back into the body of the car from the vestibule when he saw that a collision was inevitable. It does not appear that the brakes refused to work.

Edward Hogan, 1718 West Queen-st., conductor upon the car, will be among the witnesses in police court, as will a number of the 12 passengers and members of the train crew and the gate-tender at the crossing.

### TORONTO GIRLS! LOOK! HERE'S A HUBBY FOR YOU

**Owns "Honeymoon Flat" and Wants a Toronto Girl to Marry Him—Want 'Im?**

BOSTON, Mass., Dec. 31.—(Special.)—Joseph Keening, a wealthy real estate owner of Brookline, Mass., wants a wife, and to get one will resort to advertising in Toronto. He tried it about a year ago, and had a big bunch of answers, but none suited.

Now he has had printed a number of circulars bearing his picture, which will go in the mails to Toronto to a list of claimed eligibles, and it being leap year he expects this time to be successful.

Mr. Keening is the owner of "Honeymoon Flats," a fine apartment house, near the parkway in Brookline, and this will be the home of the bride. The circulars bear a large black head-line, reading, "Rich Brookline Man Wants Wife, the centre being adorned with a large photographic likeness of the advertiser.

### NEW YEAR'S DAY.

Jan. 1, 1908.  
Municipal elections.  
Vote for the power by-law.  
Services at Presbyterian Churches, 10 a.m.  
Methodist Sunday Schools, rally, Massey Hall, 10.30.  
Poultry Show—St. Andrew's Market, 10 a.m.  
Canary Show, King Edward Hotel, afternoon and evening.  
Reception at government house, 4 to 6 p.m.  
Salvation Army supper to children, 5 p.m.  
Massey Hall, popular concert, 8 p.m.

#### THE WORLD WISHES ITS 65,000 READERS OF TO-DAY A MOST HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR.

In regard to watch-night services, it is worthy of note perhaps that the time used in each railway zone is not really true time in any place except at one point. Now, Toronto time is just 17 minutes and 38 seconds faster than true time, and as the hour when the service is announced to close at St. James' Cathedral last night is 12:15, the new year was not actually begun when the celebration of its advent has already been concluded. This, by some may be considered a small matter, but when an event is being observed and people are taking some trouble to observe it, it is too much to ask that no attempt should be made to run the universe on railway time, convenient and commendable as it is for the ordinary purposes of life. For instance, when the end of the 19th and the beginning of the 20th century was celebrated, the congregation left St. James' Cathedral at 12:15 exactly, if the clock was accurate, or, at all events, somewhere about two minutes before the true time. A former porridge and bread complaint was investigated by the Dominion government and found to be without foundation.

"I don't believe it," said the director. "Camp three is well provisioned. It is one of Chandler's own camps and they get fresh meat, pie, cake, fresh bread, first-class diet. I expect these men loafed around and were dismissed by the foreman, as they admitted, and then made up a story to save their face."

"This is the first time we have been able to induce a railway contractor to take English labor, and it will probably be the last."

The department considers that in view of the fact that 70,000 men were located in Ontario in 1907, the complaints have been exceedingly few.

### CONFESSION DENIED.

**Rochette Made No Statement What- ever to Police.**

MONTREAL, Dec. 31.—(Special.)—Detective McCaskill, who reached here this evening with Omer Rochette and his wife, en route for Quebec, denies emphatically the report that Rochette confessed to him that he had poisoned his former wife. So far neither the man nor woman has made any statement whatever.

### CAN NOT SEE PRISONERS.

A deputation of women of the Free Methodist Church waited on the police commissioners at the city hall yesterday, asking that missionaries be allowed to visit prisoners in the cells before their appearance in court. This was refused.

The chief's annual report showed an increase of \$500 in street pedlars, billiard, pawnshop and second-hand licenses for 1907 over the previous year.

### COMPLAINTS UNFOUNDED SO INVESTIGATOR FINDS

**The True State of Affairs Concerning the Construction Camp "Horrors."**

A telegram from the mayor of New Liskeard started an investigation by the colonization bureau, which puts another complexion onto immigrant story published recently of hardships suffered in railway camps. The minister of agriculture sent R. A. Jones of the department to New Liskeard.

He found 15 of the stranded immigrants sitting round a big stove in the lock-up enjoying the creature comforts sent in by the neighbors, and apparently, after three or four days, in no hurry to leave their quarters. They had not attempted to get any work, and admitted they had been dismissed by the foreman at Drumwood. Mr. Jones found work for 14 out of 15, and the other man, who had his toes frozen, can have work as soon as he is better.

The director of colonization stated that he had himself heard the terms stated to the men when they were hired. They were to get 15 cents an hour for ten hours a day. For rail fare \$1.50 was to be deducted, \$1 for medical attendance, 25 cents for mail a month, and they were to pay 60 cents a day for board. This is the regular rate at Cobalt mines, and board is much more costly beyond the end of steel, where camp three, to which they were attached, is situated. A former porridge and bread complaint was investigated by the Dominion government and found to be without foundation.

### PRINCE CONFESSES TO MURDER

**Sensational Climax to Shooting of Mayor Von Schoenbeck.**

ALLENSTEIN, East Prussia, Dec. 31.—Prince Von Goeben, a distinguished officer in the Prussian branch of the German army, has caused a sensation in military circles by confessing that he is the author of the mysterious murder of Major Von Schoenbeck, a brother officer, who was shot dead on Christmas Day.

Von Goeben will be tried by court-martial, and if found guilty he will be executed by shooting in his own garriçon.

Major Von Schoenbeck, returning home at a late hour, Christmas night, heard some one descending the stairway leading from his wife's room. Drawing his revolver he went to meet the intruder and fled to shoot him. The revolver, however, missed the major, and Von Goeben then killed the major and made his escape.

### HURT IN ISLAND TUNNEL.

Andrew Prouski, a Pole, who comes from Niagara Falls, a workman in the city end of the waterworks tunnel at the foot of John-street, was slightly injured yesterday afternoon by being jammed between the hoist buckets and the side of the shaft. His legs were injured. He was taken to St. Michael's Hospital.

### THE RIGHT SORT.

"A New Year's message," said J. L. Englehart, chairman of the T. and N. O. commission last night. "Certainly, A Happy New Year to everybody and vote for the power by-law."

### THE NEW YEAR.

Start it right. Keep it right and it will end right. This is the new year. The best wishes of Dineen's, the hat-ters and furriers, go with you to the end of it. Happiness and prosperity are almost synonymous terms, and the best wish Dineen's can extend to you is every one of you is a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

### BELL WILL SELL TO MANITOBA

**Province Will Pay \$3,750,000 for Business as a Going Concern.**

WINNIPEG, Dec. 31.—(Special.)—The death knell of the Bell Telephone Co. west of the lakes has been sounded, as to-night Premier Roblin gave out an interview announcing that the government has concluded a bargain with the Bell and has bought its plant and business for \$3,750,000. In addition the government purchases supplies and equipment to the amount of \$100,000. The premier said that they were endeavoring to have all necessary documents completed by Jan. 15.

He stated that it was the intention to operate the system by a commission, so as to be entirely free from partyism.

A special meeting of the shareholders of the Bell Telephone Co. will be called for Jan. 10 to ratify the arrangement.

The meeting is merely a matter of form as the parent Bell Telephone Company of the United States owns fifty-one per cent. of stock in the Canadian Company, and have already ratified the action of President C. F. Sise, who carried thru the negotiations with the representatives of the Manitoba Government.

With some matters still to be adjusted, the purchase price, it is estimated, will be \$3,750,000, which the Bell asked, when the negotiations were opened. The transaction looks like a very profitable one for the shareholders of the Bell Telephone Company, and it would be very easy for the company to pay them a very handsome bonus out of profits of the transaction.

### SEVERAL C.N.R. CHANGES.

**Retirement of General Manager Spenser followed by Announcement.**

Several important changes in the officials of the Canadian Northern Railway go into effect to-day.

Frederick M. Spield, superintendent of the Canadian Northern Ontario Railway, has been promoted to the position of general superintendent of the Canadian Northern Quebec Railway. In this position he succeeds A. J. Gorrie, who has resigned.

Mr. Spield's former position with C.N.O.R. will be taken by A. J. Hill, formerly chief clerk in the Canadian Northern Railway offices here.

The position held by Mr. C. W. Spencer, general manager of the MacKenzie and Mann lines east of the Ontario Provinces, controlled by the Canadian Northern, and will make his headquarters at Halifax. The Ontario and Quebec divisions, however, will be directly to the head office in Toronto, an arrangement in accordance with the policy of the company to centralize its offices in Toronto.

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