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St. John Parties Tell of Domestic Infelicities — Judge Crockett Hints a Collusion in One Case.

Special to The Standard.
Fredericton, Jan. 27.—In the Divorce Court, yesterday afternoon, the case of Stewart Henry Kincaid vs. his wife, Gertrude Kincaid, the parties residing in the city of St. John, was resumed. G. Marie Logan, appearing as counsel for Francis Kerr, the proctor, recalled Mrs. Matilda Samuels, who had attended the defendant when she gave birth to a child, and who swore that she was told by the defendant that the father was Jos. Porier, named as the co-respondent in the case, and with whom the defendant is alleged to have been living.

Mr. Justice Crockett said the facts in the case called for an explanation from the plaintiff, and that it seemed most remarkable that he had not taken any action until such a late date, while the proof connecting Porier, who had been named in the libel, was not by any means complete.

Mr. Logan suggested that there seemed to be ample proof of the infidelity of the defendant, but that it might be the difficulties could be gotten over by amending the libel and thus another trial would not be necessitated.

The case of George McDonald vs. Louise McDonald was dropped to the foot of the docket, and that of Allan McCavour against his wife, Hazel McCavour, was then taken up. After Deputy Provincial Secretary R. W. L. Tibbitts had been called to prove the legality of the marriage, which had been performed at St. John on September 4th, 1912, by the Rev. W. O. Raymond, the plaintiff was called by his counsel, G. Marie Logan, of St. John. He said that in 1917, when he returned from Montana, he and his wife had had words as a result of his having heard stories to the effect that she had been going about with other men. The result was that she left to stay with her mother, and soon afterwards went to the United States. In September, 1919, he found his wife in Boston, where she was living with Charles Bodell as his wife. She had two children with her at the time, and admitted that Bodell was the father of them. Immediately upon his return home he started divorce proceedings.

Questioned by Mr. Justice Crockett, the plaintiff said he had gone to Montana under an agreeable understanding with his wife that if he located a suitable position she would follow him. On his return she did not show him much of a welcome, admitted that during his absence she had kept company with others, and frankly said she liked the newly-found one the best. They came to the conclusion it was useless for them to live together and she went to her parents, leaving the child with him. No arrangement had been made concerning support, and there had been no correspondence, but last winter she returned to St. John, and, seeing the plaintiff there, had asked him if she could have the boy, and he refused the request. The first information he had received about her living with Bodell had come from her father, and in that way he had obtained her address.

Mrs. Eliza Shaw, of St. John, mother of the defendant, was then called and corroborated the evidence of the plaintiff. When she visited the defendant in Boston in 1918, she was born to his daughter, while she had just given birth to another child when she visited her in 1919. Mr. Justice Crockett said he had no doubt but that the defendant was guilty with Bodell, and judgment would be given later.

The case of Bella Louise Coburn vs. Ernest Maynard Coburn, the parties residing at Ripples, Sunbury County, was then taken up. E. Allison McKay, of this city, appearing for the plaintiff. The plaintiff told the court that she was married when fifteen years old to the defendant, who was then twenty-one years old, and there were three children. In March, 1918, she said, she had complained of her husband being away too much, as a result of which he struck her. As she was not well at the time, she went to her own home at Ripples. She had heard, she said, that her husband had been driving girls around in his auto, and questioned Chas. Lunnegan concerning these reports, and, as a result of what she thus learned, brought action for a divorce.

Mr. Justice Crockett, the plaintiff said she was recovering from the effects of an operation at the time the defendant struck her, and as a result she went to her parental home. Chas. Lunnegan then told of an occasion in September, 1917, when he and the defendant and Julie Jaquette, the co-respondent, a Belgian, and the latter's sister were all out on an auto drive. They had called for the girls about midnight, and proceeded to the Coburn Lumber Company's mill, and then to Ripples. The witness said that he and Julie's sister left the car to get some water, and were gone about half an hour, while the situation he revealed as finding upon his return to the car formed the basis for the plaintiff's action for a divorce.

Mr. Justice Crockett hinted at the appearance of collusion between the parties. Judgment will not be given until a later date.

Then court then adjourned until Wednesday morning.

Steamer Hortensius Had Rough Battle With Storm

New York, Jan. 27.—The British steamer Hortensius arrived here today from Plover, England, with an improved funnel, made of wooden planks to replace the 30 ton steel one carried away in a hurricane January 14. The vessel's rattle and life rafts also were carried away by the storm.

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WILL PROBABLY BE INCREASE OF \$270,000 IN CITY TAXES

Commissioners Pass Resolution to Increase Ferry Rates on February 1, and Talk of Raising Water Rates—General Increases in Wages—\$17,000 for Technical Education, and An Increase of \$75,000 for Public Schools—Many Grants.

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Commissioner Bullock moved that transient fares be increased 3 to 5 cents; that book tickets be 20 to 25 cents; that single teams, 5 passenger autos and 2 ton motors be 10 cents and that double teams, autos of over 5 passengers and motor trucks of over 2 tons be 20 cents; new rates to take effect February 1st. With these fares on the basis of last year's traffic the increase in revenues during 11 months of this year would be about \$16,000; \$12,900 from passengers and the balance from teams.

Commissioner Thornton — "What about the Union Act?"

Commissioner Bullock—"The West Side people contend that the ferry should be a free highway. Increasing the fares on teams would be a hardship on people living and doing business in Carleton Place."

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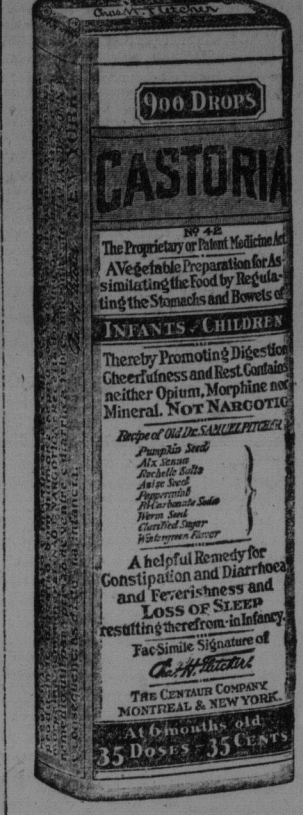
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Annual business meeting of the Dominion Rifle Association. The last D. A. R. meet was held at Rockcliffe in 1913. This year it will be revived in full force, and it is expected, in view of the great practice that most Canadians have had in shooting, both the annual meeting and the shoot itself will be the greatest in the history of the country.

The Canadian Artillery Association will also meet February 25-26 for an annual meeting. Arrangements are now under way with the railways to obtain a single fare rate to Ottawa and return for all those attending these meetings.



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