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BYRON ROSS SENT UP FOR TRIAL

Witnesses Tell of the Auto Accident by Which Mrs. Mabel Green Lost Her Life

The preliminary hearing into the case against Byron Ross, who was driving the auto that killed Mrs. Mabel Green at Homerville, this county, on June 28th, commenced in the Town Hall at 11 o'clock on Thursday morning.

There was quite an array of counsel present. Mr. Ross, who had been out on bail, had for lawyers Messrs. W. P. and C. J. Jones and M. L. Hayward of Hartland. Mr. Green, the husband of the deceased, is represented by Messrs. J. C. and R. P. Hartley, while Robert L. Simms, clerk of the peace, prosecuted. There was a large attendance of witnesses and spectators, as much interest has been aroused in the case by the people of Carleton and York counties.

To the charge that he did "unlawfully and recklessly drive a motor vehicle and did kill and slay Mabel Green, contrary to the statute made and provided," the prisoner pleaded not guilty.

Dr. L. DeC. McIntosh, sworn, "I reside in Hartland, know Dr. Ross and his son, Byron Ross, the defendant, know Mabel Green, wife of Gordon Green of Avondale, remembered 26th or June last, saw Mrs. Green that day, first saw her in car in charge of Byron Ross at Hartland. Mrs. Green's daughter was in car. They called me for my service and I parked Mrs. Green to my office, she was in a weak condition; there were cuts in her skin and freckles in the left leg and hip and nose; she was suffering from pain and shock, her ribs were also fractured. I administered hypodermic. The probable cause was that she was violently struck with something. I dressed the abrasions, she rallied for a time, then her condition grew worse and she passed away at 7:45 the same evening.

I attended her before the fatal accident, she weighed 105 pounds, height 5 feet 10 inches and was a white, delicate woman, never knew her to have weakness of the heart. The cause of death was shock from the accident.

To Mr. Hayward—Had conversation with Wilmet Hildout, he informed me that he had called Dr. Ross. We were prepared to take her to the hospital, but she was not able at any time. Had telephone conversation with Dr. Ross who wanted to know if she could be taken to the hospital and I said she was not able.

To Mr. Simms—Dr. Ross thought that there might be better facilities at the hospital.

Oscar Samuel Hartley, sworn, "Live at Avondale, knew of Byron Ross, recognized him in court; knew Mrs. Mabel Green, wife of Gordon Whitfield Green, remembered June 28th, was driving an Overland; in his car was his wife, baby about two years old, Mrs. Mabel Green, Miss Orpha Green and Miss Teresa Barter; Mrs. Green was sitting on the left side of the car; we were on our way to Hartland; the car stopped owing to a loose nut; the engine stopped; we were on main river road coming south one mile from Hartland; the road sloping toward the north; could see ahead on road the distance between six or seven telephone poles; probably 60 or 70 rods, when the road sloped the other way. Saw a standing car ahead on road, south of his car, about ten rods away. This car was stalled. Saw no other car nor heard the horn of any car. When my car stalled it was a little to the left and the rear end about the middle of the road, which was a medium sized road and there was room for a car to pass. I lifted up the hood of my car, but saw no car approaching; while getting a wrench a car passed driven by Byron Ross. When I got out, Mrs. Green was in the car; wife and baby got out with me and crossed the road; the occupants of the back seat also got out. Ross' car was a longside my car when I first saw it. Did not see Ross car strike Mrs. Green, because it was on opposite side; top of car was down; have driven a car for eight years. Ross car was a Cadillac, five or seven passengers.

To Mr. Jones—Mrs. Green was coming out from behind my car, when she was struck. I have driven a Cadillac in Maine and New Brunswick and had experience in repairing cars at Fort Fairfield.

To Mr. Simms—I heard no warning from the witness that there was a car coming.

Mrs. Green was confirmed the evidence of the car with her

baby and crossed the street, she turned and saw Mrs. Green when the latter fell on the road. Deceased was hit by the Ross car when about 10 feet from the Hartley car; the doors of the latter car were left open, but there was room for a car to go by.

Teresa Barter—I live at Avondale; remember the 26th June, when I was going to Hartland in Mr. Hartley's car. Our car stalled and there was a stalled car on the opposite side of the road. I saw the Ross car when it started down the hill. I went out of our car and crossed the road. Mrs. Green got out on the right side of the car. I have driven in cars going 40 miles an hour and I would say that the Ross car was going 35 miles an hour coming down the hill, but I would not say how fast when it struck Mrs. Green. I got out of the car because the others got out and also because I was afraid of the Ross car coming down the hill.

James Peters, sworn, said he resided in Simonds and knew Byron Ross since he was a boy; he had driven with Ross around Florenceville.

Mr. Simms—What kind of a driver was he?

Messrs. Jones and Hayward both objected that the speed shown by Mr. Ross around Florenceville had nothing to do with his speed on the day of the accident.

His Honor sustained the objection and Mr. Peters was stood aside.

Wilmet Hildout was called to the stand to prove that the accident took place near his property in the Parish of Wakefield.

Counsel for the prisoner had no remarks to make and Magistrate Compton sent the prisoner up for trial at next court of competent jurisdiction, which will be the third Tuesday in October, and accepted bail for \$7,000. A. R. Foster for \$5000, Wilmet Hildout for \$5,000 and Byron Ross for \$5,000.

BRIDGE PIERS NEAR-ING COMPLETION

Work on the bridge piers will be completed by Sept. 15, it is expected. The contractors have had an unusually fine season for their work and have taken advantage of every minute of it. Work has been carried on this summer with absolutely no wet back and those in a position to express a correct opinion say that the job has been done with record speed. Last year about this time a raise of water 15.4 feet, came and swept the whole works away, entailing a loss of quite \$25,000. This has been more than made up by the favorable conditions all round this season.

Soon as the piers are completed preparations will be begun for the moving of five spans westward, and elevating them about 20 inches. This will be surely some job and an interesting one to spectators, of which there is sure to be a large number, since all summer there has been many to do heavy looking on.

The contractors have until March 22 to complete their job, but it is expected that the work will be completed before winter sets in. So far as possible local men have been employed and the job has been a help to the town.

WESTERNER SEES IMPROVEMENTS HERE

G. E. Burt and H. S. Belyea recently made an auto trip to St. Francis and Connors and to Lake Umbagog, the tourist Paradise. Returning on the east side of the St. John they made numerous side trips, including one to the famous Salmon River bridge, said to be the highest in Canada east of the Rockies. Mr. Belyea, who is on a visit here from Vancouver, formerly was associated with Mr. Burt's father in the lumber business and years ago was very familiar with the country he has just visited. He says, "we saw wonderful improvements; where we used to travel over corduroy and mud there are now good auto roads; where we used to have dingy crude houses there are now fine modern tourist hotels; and where we used to have ferries or small wooden bridges there are now fine steel structures. The natural scenery cannot be surpassed, and if the local and municipal authorities could be induced to advertise tourists would come for thousands of miles to spend their wealth and leisure moments."

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GEORGE W. LAVIGNE A MURDER SUSPECT

Was Arrested in Hartland Last Week On Suspicion of Being Man Wanted by McAuley Cases at St. John

Acting upon instructions from St. John, Sheriff Foster last week arrested George W. Lavigne of this town on suspicion of his being the man responsible for the murder of little Sadie McAuley in St. John on August 4. Lavigne has lived in Hartland off and on for the past year or two and his record is clear. When arrested he was at work on the streets. On Monday he was arrested by the three little St. John girls who are believed to have seen the man responsible for the death of the McAuley girl and all three declared Lavigne was not the same man. The following is from the St. John Globe:

Serge Detective Power and Detective Donohoe arrived back from Woodstock on Friday night with George Watson Lavigne, who was arrested at Hartland on suspicion of being the murderer of Sadie McAuley. Sergeant Power stated that the man answered the description of the suspect fairly well, but he had recently had his hair cut, and wore khaki slacks, a grey coat, not riding breeches, and a blue coat as the suspected man is said to have had on. Sergeant Power also said that the man had changed his undergarments recently and that it was quite possible that he had also changed the trousers and coat.

Lavigne, who was seen in the city on the day of the murder, left for Hartland on the following Friday. When arrested he gave his age as 38, but the detectives are convinced that he is younger and on looking up his record found he was between 28 and 32. Lavigne is an old offender, having twice served time in the penitentiary.

Serge Power said that he did not think that Lavigne was any relation to the little Lavigne girl, but could not say definitely. The Lavigne, Wilson and Logan girls will be taken to the police station some time through the day to see the man. Sergeant Power said that the man seemed very nervous while under charge at Woodstock, and at first offered objections to coming to the city with them. The sergeant also said that he had received word this morning that Lavigne was seen on Douglas Ave. on the day of the murder.

LIVELY RUNAWAY

Yesterday morning there was a lively runaway on Main street. A double team owned by Halbert Belyea of Ashland started to run amuck from near the post office and headed down street. They went at terrific pace and in front of The Observer office one of the horses fell on the concrete sidewalk and was dragged a distance of 50 feet when the whole outfit brought up against a telephone pole. The fallen horse was quite severely cut, the harness was broken to bits and the wagon was somewhat wrecked. The far broke a cross arm at the top of the telephone pole, and in its course down street the team collided with Vernon Simms' automobile smashing the mud guard. When they passed The Observer office a stone flew up from the wheels and smashed a large plate of glass in The Observer office which will cost \$50 to replace.

WILL MOTOR TO CALIFORNIA

D. A. Campbell was in Bangor last week and returning late Saturday night brought with him a fine Essex car. Mr. and Mrs. Campbell expect to start the middle of this month for California, making the entire trip in the new car. They expect to remain in the west for an indefinite period, certainly until spring. It is the hope of their many friends in the town and county that they will not defer their return longer. Mr. Campbell has for four years been Inspector of provincial bridges throughout the county and has become well known in all sections as a painstaking official, and he will leave a record of work well done.

THE VOTE ON PROHIBITION AMENDMENT

The Provincial government has set October 10 as the date when the people may vote for or against the importation of liquor in the province. Temperance workers are everywhere active in bringing the date and the importance of the vote to public attention. E. C. Morgan has been appointed returning officer for Carleton and Victoria counties and M. L. Hayward is his clerk.