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WHAT BOSTON'S MAYOR WILL DO

John F. Fitzgerald, Who Was Elected Yesterday,

LAYS OUT A LINE

And Says He Will Walk To It --Graft Will Have No Place With Him And He Will Exert Every Effort For An Honest Administration At City Hall.

John F. Fitzgerald, who yesterday was elected mayor of Boston, has an elaborate programme mapped out for himself. Interviewed by the Boston Port, which paper heartily supported him during the campaign, he said:

"When I take office as mayor of Boston I shall be the mayor of the whole people and no man's individual interest shall prevail.

"I shall exercise the same scrutiny and diligence in the expenditure of public moneys that the guardian of a man owes to the protege whose interests have been confided to him by the court.

"Graft and grafters will have no shelter or immunity. I believe that is the mission of the Democracy of today."

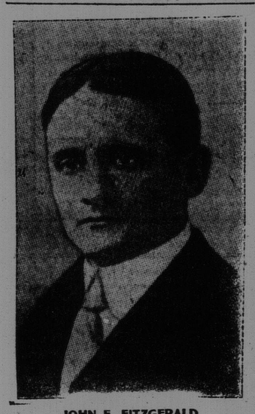
"When it is recognized that Fitzgerald is mayor there will be no graft or grafters.

"Rigid scrutiny of the payrolls and of the city contracts and personal interest in every detail of the city's work will make grafting impossible."

"I pledge myself to the people of Boston that I shall use the power vested in me for the purpose of upbuilding and strengthening Boston's commercial and educational life.

"I shall conduct the affairs of Boston as a sacred trust. I shall exercise the same scrutiny and diligence in the expenditure of public money that the guardian of a ward owes to the protege whose interests have been confided to him by the court. This is my conception of the duties of a public servant.

"Graft and grafters will have no shelter or immunity. I believe that it is the mission of the Democracy of today to take the right of the line in the battle of humanity. One swallow does not make a summer and one Roosevelt cannot make reformers out of the Republican organization. The grip of the eyndicates and trusts has been fastened at times upon both parties, but the Democracy, like the scriptural giant of old, has shaken off the incubus. The rise of Folk, Jerome and Moran is a sign that the real movement for reform, the real educational campaign against the "respectable" bribers of legislatures and corrupters of the public servants must look for its future to the Democratic party. My administration will be one of honesty, economy, purity. My campaign has been clean, and it will be my pride to make my administration stainless.



JOHN F. FITZGERALD,
Boston's New Mayor.

One of his leading campaign managers in speaking of the candidate, said:—

"Fitzgerald has always been a leader. In the North End, where he grew up as a boy, he was at the head of all the sports. He could run faster, jump better, play football and baseball better, than any boy in his neighborhood. In the Latin school he was the captain of the football team and one of the editors of the school paper. As far back as 1884 he organized the interscholastic league, composed of the minor school baseball teams in and around Boston, and was elected its first president.

"The North End section of the city was principally composed of the working class of people, and there were a great many poor among them. Fitzgerald was always at the head of entertainments, organized to alleviate their wants. When he was sent to the common council the first thing that he brought to the attention of the public was the need of a playground for the people of the North End. He fought earnestly for this project and fought it to a success, and now this magnificent playground affords comfort and health to thousands of people of that section of the city."

OPERA HOUSE TO BE HOTEL

Murphy's Opera House at Dalhousie to be Converted Into An Hostelry.

DALHOUSIE, N. B., Dec. 12.—(Special). — A terrific snowstorm has been raging here since yesterday afternoon and there is no sign of abatement.

The Jamieson wood factory at Campbellton was destroyed by fire on Monday. The loss is about $5,000 and insurance $3,000.

Walter Dickson has resigned his position as policeman of Dalhousie. The police committee will advertise for a new policeman.

Alderman Charles Powell was selected by the town council to represent Dalhousie at the county council.

One arrest has been made in connection with the stealing that took place the night of the Murphy Hotel fire. Thos. Murphy has awarded a contract to fit up his opera house for a hotel. The building is a very large one and will suit all purposes. He intends putting up his sample rooms and barns on the lot formerly occupied by the hotel. He will be able to move with his family to his new quarters before January, and in a few weeks will be ready to accommodate the travelling public.

Geo. Moffat, ex-M. P., and wife, have left Dalhousie for the winter. They are now in Montreal en route to Florida.

HORRIBLE OUTRAGES

Terrible Cruelties Practiced on Jews in Russia--Forty Families Massacred in One Village.

Chicago, Dec. 12—Letters containing graphic details of the massacre of forty Jewish families at Nosefka, Russia, reached Isaac J. Robinson, of this city, to day, and by them he was informed of the murder of his older sister, Anne, and all the members of her family, and the hardships undergone by another sister, who at the time of writing the letter was hiding in a cellar with the members of her family.

The letter says in part:—

"One day a mob gathered around the house of Sister Anne. She was a sickly woman, but that made no difference to the mob. She was killed and then her son, nineteen years old. They cut his body into small pieces after they killed him, and they chopped her body in the same manner. And then another son, of seventeen years; a daughter of fifteen, and a daughter of twelve were treated in the same manner. In the meantime the brother-in-law of ours, Mayer, ran away with the eldest daughter, twenty-one years old, to save their lives. He was pursued and slashed and cut. They were stripped before the great mob and, in the presence of thousands of people, were cut in small pieces.

THE WEATHER

Fresh southeast winds, cloudy, clearing and cold again.

JUST FIGHTING CHANCE THAT WITTE CAN STEER RUSSIA OUT OF TROUBLE

Threat of General Strike Has Disappeared and Outlook is Somewhat More Hopeful---Telegraph Strike Going to Pieces---Workmen Demanded Release of Krustaleff But It Was Refused.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 12 (Morning)—Via Edytktun, East Prussia, Dec. 13—The restoration of cable communication with points abroad yesterday lasted only a few hours. Before midnight it was reported that the cable was cut and that despatches must again be forwarded by courier via the German frontier. Nevertheless the outlook is clearing. The government is breathing freer with a fighting chance that Premier Witte will yet be able to steer his way through the rocks which beset his path.

The threat of a general strike in the immediate future has disappeared and the telegraph strike not being supported is going to pieces in spite of the wild appeals of the union to stand firm. At Moscow the tie-up remains complete, but at many other places communication has been reopened although in a precarious fashion, as the employes of both the telegraph and postal services who were discharged by wholesale for refusing to work are cutting the wires wherever it is possible to do so.

The real leaders of the workmen and other proletariat organizations realizing fully their weakness and lack of preparation for a decisive struggle, have carried the day over the hot headed strikers, and have easily convinced the majority that it would be an irretrieveable blunder to prostitute what they regard as the supreme instrument for forging a great nation by using it for a minor issue like redressing the grievances of private individuals. In registering this decision they placed themselves on record to continue the organization and equipment of the fighting legions which the old president, Krustaleff, began, thus virtually furnishing the government with evidence confirming its charges that articles 102 and 126 of the criminal code, prohibiting participation in associations the object of which is armed revolt and the punishment for which is death, have been violated by the strikers' head organization. It is likely, however, that the government in order to discount attempts to save M. Krustaleff will simply charge him with the misappropriation of the funds of the workmen in using them in founding a Socialist paper, which the government claims can be substantiated.

The workmen's counsel yesterday sent a demand to Count Witte for the release of M. Krustaleff. Later the workmen's delegates called on Procurator Kamishansky and demanded his release, but the procurator refused bluntly, saying that the case must be tried in court. To this the spokesman of the delegation replied: "Then we will declare a general strike."

"I will not release him if the whole world strikes," answered the procurator.

M. Krustaleff is understood to be imprisoned in the St. Peter and St. Paul fortress in order, it is explained, to prevent any possible attempt at rescue, which would only lead to bloodshed.

The disappearance of the danger of a general strike seems to insure the government a certain period in which to vindicate itself and demonstrate that it is striving to realize the new order of things and its friends hope it will be able to show this by deeds, will gather public sympathy from the proletariat and place the workmen's organizations, when the time comes for a strike, in the attitude of deliberately provoking a struggle to overthrow the government and establish a democratic republic.

The members of Count Witte's cabinet distinctly deny that the government has entered on the path of reaction, but they say that the present state of anarchy cannot go on. People amenable to the laws will be arrested and tried by the courts.

"If the government really enters on the path of reaction," said one of the ministers today, "it must end in a dictatorship and you may be sure that at the first evidence of this Witte will step down and out."

Count Witte takes the ground that the ministry is only a stop-gap to transfer the power into the hands of the National Assembly and therefore he will not undertake to bind the country by temporary laws on a policy which the representatives of the National Assembly should decide themselves. This is the theory on which complete universal suffrage will be refused.

The situation in the Baltic provinces is now the most grave of the empire's conditions. It approaches civil war, and the government has been forced to appoint a governor-general with sweeping administrative powers to try to restore order. All the troops in the provinces have been placed under his command. The importation of arms, which have been entering the country in large quantities, and the sale of weapons have been prohibited and the authorities are even empowered to arrest for three months, under an administrative order, persons having arms in their possession. At the same time the government recognizes that crushing the growing rebellion by force will not suffice, and (more), that some sort of local self-government will alone quiet the population. Therefore it has ordered the convocation of representatives of the various classes of the provinces, including the peasants, to work out a scheme for the creation of zemstvo to control local affairs.

MOVED TO SONG

Copious Draughts of the Ardent Made Andy Irvine Soyful.

Andy Irvine is again in the toils for persistently tampering with alcoholic fluids. He was discovered on Mill street, shortly after midday by Police Officer John Merrick who found that in this particular instance the juice of the barley had brought about a peculiarly pious frame of mind, and when the police say that when Andy was placed in secluded quarters he "broke forth into singing," treating the occupants of the north end police station to hymnal selections. Andy's name will be the first on the north end arrest book for the past ten days.

PERSONAL INTELLIGENCE

C. W. Ford, of Sackville, who has been in the city on a business trip, returned home today.

Mrs. G. Wetmore Merritt and Miss Mollie Peters returned home on the Boston train at noon today.

Mrs. R. C. Skinner returned home on the Boston express at noon today.

E. W. McCready returned home today after a trip to Montreal and New York.

W. H. Barnaby was a passenger on the Boston train at noon today.

Miss Elsie Barton, accompanied by Miss Annie Church, left for a visit to Amherst yesterday.

NO REMEDY TO SUIT

(San Francisco Call.)

"I will never forget my first experience in hospital work," said Chief Surgeon Millar, of the Central Emergency hospital. "There was a green nurse in the detention ward and we had a very violent case in there—a man in the worst stage of delirium tremens. I was awakened in the middle of the night by the head nurse, who requested me to come at once to the patient. When I got there I found him raving and very violent, with the new nurse scared out of her wits. I said:

"'Why did you let him go so far? I left you some medicine, to give him as soon as he got delirious.'

"'Yes, doctor,' she replied; 'but you told me to give that to him if he saw any more snakes and this time he was seeing blue dogs with pink tails.'"

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OBITUARY

Andrew Kirkpatrick

Andrew Kirkpatrick died at his home, Gondola Point, on Sunday last. He was 83 years of age, and a widower.

Three sons and two daughters survive. The funeral will take place tomorrow afternoon at 2.30.

Mr. Kirkpatrick was an old landmark of Gondola Point, and will be greatly missed. He was known by everybody for miles around, and familiarly referred to as "Uncle Andy." He was also a familiar figure in the country market, where he sold country produce.

His sons are: James, living at home, William of Connecticut, and George, residing in the west. The daughters are: Mrs. Wm. Chamberlain of New York, and Miss Katherine of Washington, who arrived here today. Besides his sons and daughters, he is survived by three brothers—David and Elijah of Gondola Point, and William of Quispamsis; also by one sister, Mrs. Maynes.

Interment will take place at Gondola Point and Rev. A. W. Daniel, rector of Rothesay parish will officiate.

Mrs. Amos O. Gibbs

The death occurred at an early hour this morning of Mrs. Etta Gibbs, wife of Amos O. Gibbs, of the Maritime Express Co. She had been ill for about eight weeks and her death was not unexpected. She was 35 years of age and leaves no children.

Miss Margaret McBride

The death of Miss Margaret McBride occurred this morning at the residence of G. N. Stevens, 83 Wright street. Arrangements for the funeral have not yet been completed.

EXPERT ADVICE

(Argonaut.)

A travelling salesman arrived at home about three in the morning to discover that his wife had given birth to triplets. He was delighted almost beyond control of himself. "My," he said, "I must go right in and wake up Dooley." Dooley was his next-door neighbor and a dog-fancier. He pulled Dooley out of bed, got him to hurry on his clothes, brought him in about half awake, and stood him before the triplets. "Aren't they dandies?" he asked.

Dooley gazed at them in a semi-awakened state and, still rubbing the sleep from his eyes, replied: "Yes; they're all right. I think if I were you I would keep that one in the middle."

Love laughs at locksmiths, but lots of us laugh at Love's myths.

SCHOONER WILL BE TOTAL LOSS

The Uriana Ashore at Channel, Nfld.--Laborer Hurt in Sydney Rail Mill.

SYDNEY, N. S. Dec. 12—(Special)—Schr Uranla, Capt. Seely, which left North Sydney last week for Bay of Islands, with coal, is a total loss at Channel, Nfld. She put into the latter port for shelter during Sunday's gale and was driven on the rocks. The captain and crew escaped. The Uranla was built at Lunenburg in 89, is one hundred tons register and owned by Captain Seely.

The Elder-Dempster liner Dahomey arrived in port last evening from Halifax. She will take 1150 tons of Cape Breton coal for Mexico.

Last night a rigger named Clarence Lewis, employed at the rail mill, was knocked by the hoisting gear against a hot roll conveyor, which passed over one of his legs severing it above the knee. Lewis also sustained other injuries. His chances of recovery are only fair.

WHY HE WANTED TOUGH MEAT

(New York Tribune.)

Dr. L. L. Taylor, the Brooklyn clergyman whose sermons are now transmitted to invalid and deaf parishioners by telephone, has an apt way of bringing out a point with an anecdote.

At a men's meeting he said recently:

"Fathers ought to consider their children and look out for them more than they do. Men, do you always see to it that each little mouth gets all the steak it wants?

"Over in Brooklyn the other day a boy entered a butcher's and said:

"'Gimme a pound o' steak, rump or round, and let it be good and tough.'

"The butcher was amused. He laughed.

"'What do you want it tough for?' he asked.

"'Cauce if it's tender,' said the boy, 'father eats it all up himself, but if it's tough us children gets a whack at it.'"

Tramp—"'Mornin' miss. Please, could you give me a pair o' trousers?"

Parson's Daughter—"I will ask my brother if he has any to give away."

Tramp—"Thankee, miss, an' I'll do the same for you one of these days."—(Puck)

"There is a woman at the bottom of all great things," says Lamartine. Of course, she fell in there trying to gratify her curiosity.

Martin Willis, of St. George, is visiting friends in the city.

ASK FOR BETTER SABBATH LAWS

Representatives of Lord's Day Alliance Ask Premier

FOR LEGISLATION

Against Sabbath Desecration --Rev. J. E. Shearer States the Case -- Sir Wilfrid Promises to Refer the Matter to the Cabinet Without Delay.

OTTAWA, Dec. 13—(Special)—Rev. Dr. Potts, president; Rev. J. E. Shearer, field secretary; and R. W. MacPherson, counsel of the Lord's Day Alliance, waited on the premier and minister of justice today in the premier's office and asked for a Sunday observance bill at the next session of parliament.

Dr. Potts introduced the delegation and explained the subject. He said that the alliance were advised by counsel that the supreme court and judicial committee held that the Dominion must legislate, which was contrary to the view held by the government when an application of this kind was made two years ago.

The Alliance represented a varied constitution, it represented all the churches, Protestant and Catholic. Recently the archbishops presented a statement to the minister of justice which gave their views and which were embodied in the draft bill handed the government some two years ago. The question of jurisdiction being decided in favor of the Dominion, the delegation was there to ask for legislation on the lines of the draft bill.

Rev. Mr. Shearer pointed out the special need of such legislation on account of the very meagre and unsatisfactory Sunday laws of anti-confederation days. He said that in Montreal there was an attempt to legalize Sunday theatres. In Winnipeg and Vancouver it was said by competent counsel that there were no Sunday laws. The alliance did not think this was right. Mr. Shearer pointed out the broad character of the legislation. All controversial points were left out. These points were left to anti-confederation laws. It was of the utmost importance that legislation should be brought on early next session.

Mr. MacPherson dealt with the aspect of the question supporting the view that it was the dominion and not the provinces that should legislate. Mr. Fitzpatrick was personally of the opinion that the provinces had the power to legislate to at least a considerable extent. At the same time he held the draft bill was a broad and liberal one and thought it might be dealt with without serious difficulty by the dominion.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier said it was an important matter and would have to be referred to the cabinet and he could not give a definite answer. He would invite them to an interview later on. As there was not likely to be an early session of parliament they would have time to fully consider the whole question.

FIRE IN WINNIPEG CHURCH

WINNIPEG, Dec. 13—(Special)—Fire this morning in the new addition being built to the Central Congregational church did damage to the extent of about $30,000. The contractors are still in possession, and the church was to have been re-opened in January.

NOT QUITE WHAT HE MEANT

(Kansas City Journal.)

At a reception given in Paris not long ago by Lady Colebrook a French municipal councillor wished to compliment an English woman and her pretty daughter. The mother wore a fawn colored gown, the girl being in pink. "M'lady," said the councillor, "your lovely daughter might well be called the pink of beauty." "Ah, monsieur," was the reply, "you are prone to flattery, I fear." "But no," said the Frenchman, whose knowledge of English was somewhat limited. "I speak but the truth. Indeed, all must admit that mademoiselle is the pink and you the drab of beauty."

Mr. Morell, who for a time was organist of St. Peter's church, has been in Montreal, where he has been taking a special course in harmony. While in St. John he made many friends, who will learn with pleasure of his intention to return to St. Peter's early in January next.

JEROME GETS AFTER HUMMELL

One of New York's Best Known Lawyers on Trial for Conspiracy.

NEW YORK, Dec. 13.—The trial of Abraham H. Hummel, one of New York's most widely known lawyers, on the charge of conspiracy, was on the calendar before Justice Rogers in the Supreme Court today. The charge against Hummell grew out of the sensational Dodge-Morse divorce litigation, in which it was alleged that Hummell entered into a conspiracy to procure perjured evidence. Former Supreme Court Justice Edgar L. Fursman also was indicted on the charge of conspiracy in the same case.

The conspiracy and perjury charges were made after an investigation by District Attorney Jerome of allegations that the courts had been made use of in an improper manner in an effort to procure an annulment of the decree of divorce obtained by Mrs. Clemence Dodge against Charles F. Dodge. After this divorce Mrs. Dodge was married to Charles W. Morse, a capitalist of this city, who is very prominent in banking and steamship affairs. The real object of the desire to obtain an annulment of the Dodge divorce was said to be thereby to invalidate the marriage of Mrs. Dodge and Morse. Why it was sought to invalidate this marriage has never been definitely learned, but the most sensational stories have been in circulation on the subject, the most persistent being that a declaration of invalidity instead of a divorce was desired in order that another marriage might take place with a wealthy member of the Roman Catholic church under the rites of that church.

Hummell appeared in the proceedings as attorney for Charles F. Dodge and presented a claim by Dodge that he never was properly served with the summons in Mrs. Dodge's suit, that he was not represented by counsel at the trial, and that he knew nothing of the matter until he was served with a certificate of the decree. Former Justice Fursman then came into the case as counsel for Mrs. Morse, and the legal proceedings continued up to the point where, on January 4, 1904, the Dodge-Morse annulment was entered in the supreme court. Then an attorney named Sweetzer, who had served the papers on Dodge and who had been at work on the case to save his professional reputation, discovered letters from Lorimer Ruger, also an attorney, saying he, Dodge, had been served with papers in a divorce suit and authorizing Ruger to act as his attorney. Ruger had died before the latter proceedings. Dodge was at once indicted for perjury and after a long and bitter legal battle was brought back from Houston, Tex. A member of Hummell's law firm represented Dodge in Texas in the efforts to prevent extradition to New York. After Dodge was brought back here he made a statement in which he accused Hummell of having dictated to him the false affidavit. He said he had been plentifully supplied with money the source of which he did not question and that all the efforts to prevent his return to New York were under the direction of Hummell.

LATE LOCALS

A meeting of the Relief Association of the St. John Fire Department was held last evening. No business of much importance was transacted.

A citizen complained this morning of the terrible state in which the road is kept on Harding street. Last winter the snowplough was only seen a few times, and this year the street has not been touched since the storm.

Rev. A. J. Prosser lectured in the Tabernacle Baptist church last evening before a large audience. His subject was: "The Northwest," and his droll treatment of it elicited hearty applause and was much appreciated.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Smith arrived on the noon train from McAdam today, accompanying the body of their infant daughter, Beatrice Louise, who died on Monday night. The funeral was held from the station following the arrival of the train and interment was made in Cedar Hill Cemetery.

The rain which started to fall this morning has made the streets very slippery, and many people came to grief on the icy sidewalks. King street especially was the scene of many downfalls, and a number of gentlemen who walked jauntily down the street had their attention forcibly drawn to the fact that their feet were treading dangerous ground. The sleighing has not been affected much as yet, but should the rain continue, it is probable that teamsters will have to get their wheels out again.

CLIMBED TO THE ROOF OF SIX STORY BUILDING ON A FLIMSY CHIMNEY

New York Thieves Go Where Policemen Would Not Follow---Whole Band Caught and Daring Plan to Rob Big Factory is Nipped in the Bud.

NEW YORK, Dec. 13—A big moving van robbery was prevented by 12 policemen today, who captured an entire gang of robbers and $5000 worth of furs, silks, and embroidery, which was packed in huge bundles and waiting for vans to carry it away. Soon after midnight the police were told an amazing story about three men who had been seen climbing to the roof of a six-story factory building in Wooster street. It was found that the climbers, starting from the roof of a tenement building adjoining the factory had made their way up a terra cotta chimney which ran from the tenement roof to the top of the factory. This chimney was built flush against the wall, and was within a few inches of the corner of the factory, so that it almost overhung the street. So flimsy was this means of ascent that the police would not climb it in pursuit of the thieves, but surrounded the building lying in wait.

About 4 o'clock in the morning the police arrested four men coming from the tenement, three of whom they charge climbed out of the factory. The other they say was a picket who gave the alarm to his confederates. When the factory fireman arrived before daylight he let the police into the building, where they found several wagon loads of goods packed in rude bundles near the street door. The men under arrest are Wm. Kelly James Reilly and George Ryan, charged with attempted burglarly, and William Fernandez, arrested as a suspicious person.

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Mr. Jamesey Jones has been reported for removing the snow from the sidewalk in front of his premises to the street. He is charged with not waiting to give the rain a chance.

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FOXY MR. LANTALUM.

The announcement in a despatch from Halifax, that the old cruiser Acadie, now owned by E. Lantalum, M. P. P., had got up steam and would leave for St. John in a few days, is much more significant than appears on the surface.

Why did Mr. Lantalum buy the cruiser Acadie, now at Halifax? Why has she got up steam preparatory to a voyage to St. John at this inclement season?

These are questions the taxpayers of St. John may well ask themselves.

Mr. Lantalum is a politician. He was a ward boss for many years. He was also an alderman. He knows how deals are made, and knows all the tricks of the trade. "Keep an eye on Lantalum," has long been a watchword among the people.

Now why has Mr. Lantalum gone to Halifax and bought an old cruiser for a song? And why is he going to bring her to St. John at such a season as this? That is the question.

It is a pertinent question. It is a question that should be asked, and asked with marked emphasis and persistence by every taxpayer in this city. What possible good can an old condemned cruiser be to a ward boss and local member for St. John? Why should he buy her at all? What's his game?

Does anybody suppose that Mr. Lantalum is doing this for his health? Is he in need of pastime? Does he propose to fit up the Acadie as a yacht and make her the rival of Commodore Thomson's flagship Scionda on the St. John river next summer?

The legislature meets early in February, and Mr. Lantalum has his speeches to prepare. He is down for two speeches this session, of four and a half minutes each. They will require some thought and preparation. Can he afford to have an old condemned cruiser on his mind at the same time?

To ask such questions is to answer them. Mr. Lantalum has no intention of keeping the cruiser. He intends to sell her—and at once.

To whom? Who wants an old condemned cruiser? Who but the ferry committee of the St. John city council. Mr. Lantalum deliberately intends to sell the Acadie to the city for use as an auxiliary to the Ludlow.

The citizens should watch this deal very closely. It is true that another ferry boat is needed to tow the other ones into Rodney Hospital when they break down, but it does not follow that the aldermen should pay Mr. Lantalum two prices for an old hulk.

It is the duty of every taxpayer to watch out at this critical juncture in the city's affairs.

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The aldermen, after mature consideration, have decided to leave Lake Latimer alone. If it wants to leak out it may do so. They remember the Leak of 1854.

UNCLE SAM HAD NICE GENTLEMAN FOR POSTMASTER IN CANAL ZONE

Man Who Handled Mails at Pedro Miguel Was a Burglar, Firebug and All-around Crook---Now He is Under Arrest and Must Answer for Misdeeds.

COLON, Nov. 13—On board the Panama steamship Havana, which sailed yesterday for New York, were Mr. Price, a special agent of the Santa Fe Railroad, and Matthew Kenny, a detective of Kansas City, having in charge a man named Fuller, who for the past eight months has been station agent and postmaster at Pedro Miguel, in the canal zone, but who, it is now alleged, is a well known criminal. It is charged that the man, among other aliases, is known as Armstrong, Letts and McGee, but that his right name is Letts. It is alleged that he already has been convicted of larceny, burglary and arson, and that he has escaped from prison three times. It is further alleged that he has been accused of attempted murder, bigamy and forgery. Fuller, it is said, married his third wife, Anna Lassen, of St. Louis, at Cristobal a month ago.

A despatch from Kansas City Dec. 11, reported the arrest at Panama of M. M. Letts, former station agent for the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe R. R. at Princeton, Kansas. Letts is charged with stealing $70,000 worth of railroad tickets in 1905 and then burning the depot to hide the theft. He escaped from Ottawa, Kansas, in a sensational manner some time ago, after being convicted of arson and robbery