

MME. STEINHELL IN FIT OF COLLAPSE AT CRUCIAL TIME

French Woman Charged With Murdering Her Husband Gives Way Under Cross Examination. Judge Declares Her Story To Be a Tissue of Lies at Conclusion of Its Recital.

Paris, Nov. 5.—After having withstood for nearly three days a merciless examination by the presiding judge of the court of assizes where she is being tried on a charge of murdering her husband and her stepmother, the iron nerves of Mme. Marguerite Steinhell gave way late today, and she was led from the witness stand and out of the court room in a state of utter collapse.

When today's session of the court began M. Devalles was fearful lest the strain which Mme. Steinhell had undergone for two days would prove too much for her, but his solicitude for her evoked from her the unhesitating statement that she was not at all fatigued. M. Devalles thereupon led her through a labyrinth of questions surrounding the case with his wonted readiness, and Mme. Steinhell, with her ever ready wit, answered them quickly and to the point, or when they seemed unduly compromising, pleaded for justice and not vindictiveness.

Once she made a plea direct to the judge to believe her innocent, declaring that in the hour of her adversity straitened friends who had parted her from her husband, had utterly forsaken her. Again, when pressed closely by M. Devalles as to why she declared certain jewels had been stolen at the time of the murder when in reality she had concealed them, Mme. Steinhell, her eyes, burning brightly and moisture behind the pallor that the dark, drab walls of Saint Nazaire prison have imprinted upon her cheeks, cried out that it was to save her daughter from the knowledge that her mother had a lover.

Clear Herself. As to her accusation against Burlington, an American newspaper man, and others, whom she had charged with complicity in the crime, Mme. Steinhell said that in her frenzy she had taken recourse in anything that seemed to promise clearing herself of the charge.

It was just after a savage attack had been made upon her veracity by the judge that the climax came. Mme. Steinhell's attorney protested that the judge retorted hotly that the accused woman, in her frenzy, had said that her story was a tissue of lies. A short recess was taken but when Mme. Steinhell returned to the stand again she was unnerved by the ordeal and was led fainting from the room.

Several policemen were examined in the afternoon concerning what they saw at Mme. Steinhell's house after the murder and shortly afterwards court adjourned for the day.

PRINCIPALS IN HALIFAX HOLDUP ARE ARRESTED

Two Men Held Up And Attempted To Rob George Foote Of Dartmouth Now In Durand Vile.

Special to The Standard. Halifax, N. S., Nov. 5.—Two men who held up George Foote, treasurer of the Dartmouth Rope Works, today and attempted to rob him of \$3,000, were captured tonight by the police in the woods back of the town. Masks and revolvers were found in their possession. Their names are Herbert E. Hasslett and George Gallagher, and they are each about twenty-one years of age. They are natives of Digby County, but for many years have been residing in Malden, Mass. From letters and books found in Hasslett's possession, it was shown that he was an active member of the Malden Y. M. C. A. They were lodged in jail at Dartmouth and will come up for examination next week. Mr. Foote who was shot in the face by one of the men is not seriously injured.

NEW COMPANY FORMED. Chatham, N. B., Nov. 5.—At a meeting of the shareholders last evening in the Hotel Touraine a company was organized known as the Hotel Touraine Limited, to take over the property and run it. Directors were elected as follows: J. L. Stewart, John McDonald, Peter Archer, Thomas Fitzpatrick, Robt. Murray.

NEW CUSTOMS REGULATIONS ARE GAZETTED

Many Important Changes Made In Tariff Regulations—Mileage Freight Rates On Shore Line Approved.

Ottawa, Ont., Nov. 5.—Important customs regulations have been promulgated in the Canada Gazette and the following articles used as materials in Canadian manufactures are transferred to the free list.

(A)—Metallic elements and tungstic acid when imported by manufacturers for use only in their own factories in the manufacture of metal filaments for electric lamps.

(B)—Twine or yarn of paper when imported by manufacturers for the purpose of being woven into fabrics in their own factories.

(C)—Steel imported for manufacture in their own factories in manufacturing rough unfinished parts of rifles, when such parts are to be used in rifles, to be made for the Government of Canada.

(D)—Gun barrels, in single tubes, forged, rough bored.

(E)—Antimony Salts for use in dyeing.

(F)—Hypo-sulphite of Soda when imported by Tanners for use in their own factories in the tanning of leather.

(G)—Rolled iron in rods not over half an inch in diameter or in width, to be manufactured into horsehoes, nails, when imported by manufacturers of such nails.

(H)—Dulcis are reduced in the following cases:

(A)—Cold rolled sheets or plates of steel with sheared edges over four cent ad valorem, when imported by manufacturers of mowers, bars, hinges, typewriters and sewing machines, for use only in the manufacture of the said articles in their own factories. Under the preferential tariff, five per cent ad valorem; intermediate, 7 1/2 per cent; general, 10 per cent.

(B)—Preparations made for pyroxylin and wood naphtha when imported by manufacturers for use only in their own factories in the coating of imitation leather. Preference 5 per cent ad valorem; intermediate, 7 1/2 per cent; general, 10 per cent.

(C)—Coated or sized cloth when imported by manufacturers for use only in their own factories in manufacturing sensitized blue or black print cloth. Preference, 10 per cent ad valorem; intermediate, 12 1/2 per cent; general, 15 per cent.

(D)—Lumber has been gazetted granting to Herman Finger, of Port Arthur, a 21 year lease of a water lot on the Saskatchewan River for the purpose of constructing a boom. The rental is \$10 a year.

The Board of Railway Commissioners has approved the new standard mileage freight tariff of the New Brunswick Southern Railway.

MARGESON LIKELY TO WIN IN LUNenburg

Feeling Against MacLean Grows Stronger Each Day And a General Upreaval Is Expected On Election Day.

Lunenburg, Nov. 5.—The Conservatives will hold a convention at Mahone Bay tomorrow to ratify the executive's decision relative to the bye-election. On Wednesday the Liberals will hold a convention at the same place to nominate a candidate for the local bye-election and one for the federal bye-election. A. K. McLean will of course receive the local nomination. A large number of Liberals are after the federal nomination and it is more than likely that a general row will develop. The feeling against MacLean is growing stronger every day and the election of Margeson seems uncertain.

TONG WAR MAY GROW OUT OF THIS BATTLE

New York, N. Y., Nov. 5.—Lee Gonk, 24 years old, is dying in a hospital with a bullet hole through his lungs and Hung Chung, 35 years old, had his left hip shattered in a pistol battle in Chinatown tonight, which may develop into a Tong war. Charles Lung and Lung Fung, both of the Society of the Four Brothers, are held as suspects. Both the wounded are members of the On Leong Tong, which figured in former murderous battles with the Hip Sing Tong.

GIBES AT HIS APPETITE THE REASON GIVEN

Western Fiend Tells Of Murdering His Wife And Stepmother Because Of Sarcastic Remarks Made.

BELIEVED TO BE OF UNSOUND MIND

Quill Lake, Sask., Nov. 5.—That he murdered George Thorburn, his wife and her mother because the woman would not give him enough to eat, and because all three made sarcastic remarks about his appetite, was the extraordinary explanation John Mesci gave for his triple crime in a lengthy statement taken down at the inquest held today by District Coroner Dr. R. H. McCutcheon.

Of Unsound Mind. Mesci's statements suggested that he may be of unsound mind. He seemed absolutely cold blooded when describing his crime and told of the murder as though it were wolves and not human beings he had killed. The excitement still prevails in the village, and the prisoner is closely guarded.

TWO MORE ARRESTS IN BURGLARY CASE

I. C. R. Detective Noble Headed Posse That Captured Two More Suspects At Salmon Lake Yesterday.

Special to The Standard.

Campbellton, N. B., Nov. 5.—I. C. R. Detective Noble accompanied by Officers Savoy of Campbellton and Station of St. Flavie arrested two more men at Salmon Lake this morning. They were implicated in the burglary of the International Railway station here on Wednesday night. When captured the articles used in safe burglary such as glycerine caps, fuse, etc., were found on them. They were also armed with revolvers. They give their names as John Murphy and Thomas Wilson. Men have now been arrested in connection with the case. They will be taken to Rimouski along with the other man arrested at Sayabec yesterday where they will appear before the magistrate. The other suspect arrested has been given his liberty.

FREDERICTON OFFICERS GET NEW APPOINTMENTS

Recent Militia Orders Include Several Promotions Affecting Commissioned Officers At No. 3 Military Depot.

Fredericton, Nov. 5.—Despatches from Ottawa this afternoon state that militia orders in this week's Canada Gazette include several promotions affecting the commissioned officers at No. 3 military depot in this city.

Captain and Brevet Major C. F. O. Fiset has been promoted to the rank of major and will continue as commanding officer of this depot while Lt. E. L. DuDomeine has been promoted to the rank of captain.

The promotions date from September 1st, 1909, when the changes at No. 3 depot occasioned by the transfer of Lt. Col. Chinn to the headquarters staff at Ottawa took place.

The militia orders relating to the Royal Canadian Regiment are: To be majors—Captain and Brevet Major C. F. Fiset, vice J. C. Macdonald, second, 1st September, 1909; Captain J. H. Kaye, vice J. E. Chinn, second, 1st September, 1909.

To be captains—Lt. E. L. DuDomeine, vice C. F. O. Fiset, promoted 1st September, 1909; Lt. E. K. Eaton, vice J. H. Kaye, promoted, 1st September, 1909.

Captain W. W. P. Gibson is second for duty on the staff 1st September, 1909.

REPORT OF ROOSEVELT'S DEATH "EXAGGERATED"

New York, N. Y., Nov. 5.—Another one of those absurd rumors which bob up almost every time a prominent man gets out of the direct touch with the world went skipping over the country today, concerning former President Roosevelt. This will-o'-the-wisp had its origin in the fact that Roosevelt had been killed in Africa and because of the dangers of African hunting, fresh in the public mind owing to Mr. Roosevelt's magazine articles, there was some uneasiness until Douglas Robinson, Mr. Roosevelt's brother-in-law, said emphatically that he took no stock in such reports.

LANSLOWNE TO BRING GERMAN UNDERSTANDING THE MAKING

Leader Of Opposition In House Of Lords Is Reported As Intending To Move Resolution Throwing Out Bill.

ADOPTION REGARDED WITH UNCERTAINTY

London, Nov. 6.—The Daily Telegraph says it understands that it has been definitely settled that Lord Lansdowne, the leader of the Opposition in the House of Lords, will move a resolution in the upper branch of Parliament, declining to accept the finance bill until its principles have received the sanction of the electors. The Daily Telegraph adds that it learns that the adoption of this resolution by a majority of the members of the House of Lords is uncertain.

LOCAL INSURANCE MEN PROTEST PROPOSED ACT

Hold Meetings At Campbellton And Moncton—Section 139 The Subject Of Resolutions—McSweeney Speaks.

Special to The Standard.

Campbellton, Nov. 5.—A meeting of fire insurance men was held here today to discuss the proposed new insurance bill to come before Parliament at its next session. Messrs. W. H. White, R. W. W. Frink and H. E. Robinson of St. John attended as delegates from the insurance companies. James Reid, M. P., from Restigouche and nearly all the local agents were also present. Messrs. Robinson, Frink and White made short addresses explaining the effect of the new bill and particularly in regard to section 139 which is proposed for any foreign company to send agents into Canada and do business by only paying fifteen cents per hundred of insurance. This was considered unjust to other companies doing business here who were required to put up a deposit with the government, pay taxes and keep up large office expenses.

After a general discussion a resolution was passed condemning section 139 which was placed in the hands of Mr. Reid who promised his support to the amended section proposed by the insurance federation.

At Moncton.

Moncton, Nov. 5.—Messrs. Knowlton, Ewing and Talbot, fire insurance men of St. John, were here today and held a meeting with Messrs. Frink and Forrier and the local insurance men in the Board of Trade room, to urge objections to section 139 of the new insurance act.

The second part of the programme was no less to the purpose, the list of Governmental and Parliamentary, Lieutenant Governor and House of Assembly, the Clergy, Our Visitors, the Medical Profession, Absent Friends, Our Hosts and Hostesses, and The Ladies. All were introduced in brief appropriate terms by the chairman, Mr. G. M. Wilson and the other guests selected for the purposes.

The Jones-Crawford orchestra, of St. John, furnished a fine selection of music before and during dinner and at intervals between the speeches. In addition there were a monologue and song by Mr. Gardner, and recitations by Mr. E. A. Schofield and Mr. J. E. Angevine, as well as a song by Mr. R. A. March. The whole closed with the singing of Auld Lang Syne.

Dr. Murray modestly responded to all the good and kind words said to and about him, by his enthusiastic friends and he will possibly have come to the conclusion that notwithstanding the stress and strain of a physician who practices in a small and scattered district there are compensations in being honored and beloved by a people of warm hearts and generous dispositions. Certainly he has good reason to know that he carries away with him the best wishes of the people among whom he has lived and labored in this province.

SAILOR RUNS AMUCK SHOOTING UP CITY

Exciting Hour in Portsmouth, New Hampshire Yesterday When Jack Decides To Live Things Up.

Portsmouth, N. H., Nov. 5.—Flourishing a big army revolver and shooting wildly the Ketchikan ferry sailor, Seogren, a sailor on the United States Survey steamer Bach, sent a crowd of several hundred people in the neighborhood of the Ketchikan ferry slip into a terror and then terrorized the inmates of a barber shop and a saloon today before the police finally got him in custody. Seogren had shore leave from the Bach last night and is believed to have been under the influence of liquor when he ran amuck today.

Near the ferry slip of the Atlantic Shore Line R. R. he brandished his revolver and fired several shots, one of them passing very near a woman who was walking up the sidewalk. Then threatning to "shoot up" the entire city, Seogren jumped into the door of a barber shop and levelled his weapon at the barbers and the men in the chairs. There was a hurried flight of barbers and customers to the rear of the shop. Seogren contented himself with putting a couple of bullets

AMIGO GERMAN COURT RESERVES DECISION IN THE M'DOUGALL CASE

Arguments In Crown Case Reserved Heard Yesterday Before Full Bench at Fredericton.

ATTORNEY-GENERAL CONTENTS THAT THERE IS NO GROUNDS FOR APPEAL OF CASE.

Fredericton, Nov. 5.—The reserved case of C. Bruce MacDougall, of Moncton, was argued before the Supreme Court here today. The prisoner, it will be remembered, was tried before Mr. Justice White and a jury at the September sittings of the St. John Circuit Court under an indictment for publishing defamatory libels and obscene paragraphs in Free Speech, a weekly paper, edited at Moncton and printed at Newcastle. The defamatory libels were against Mayor Bullock, the late Dr. A. W. MacRae, K. C., Alderman James H. Frink, and Mr. D. Mulholland, K. C., of this city, and a cartoon referring to Magistrate Jay of Moncton.

At the afternoon session the attorney general occupied a little over an hour in summing up his argument in reply to Mr. Sherren. He concluded by saying that there were several other points and authorities he might cite in support of the crown but he did not think it necessary to occupy the attention of the court at any greater length. Mr. Baxter he said was associated with him in the case and the latter might want to add a few words.

Nothing Further. Mr. Baxter said that he did not think that he could possibly add anything further to the argument presented by the Attorney General and that he would not be justified in taking up the attention of the court any greater length than the Attorney General had covered the ground.

Mr. Sherren was asked if he had any reply to make. He said, no, except that he regretted Mr. Ritchie had not been present to argue the case.

The Chief Justice assured Mr. Sherren that the court thought that the counsel had placed the argument well before the bench and that all points that could have been taken were made. At the conclusion of the Attorney General's remarks the court considered and delivered judgment at a later date.

The Attorney General in reply to the afternoon in answer to the grounds taken by Mr. Sherren made a strong and convincing argument. He claimed that all the questions upon which the case was reserved had been submitted and rightly submitted to a jury and that the jury having passed a verdict there was no ground for appealing. He cited numerous authorities in support of his position and really set forth more than was necessary. As to the point that the language published was not obscene it could not be borne out by the circumstances.

Read Extracts.

The Attorney General read from extracts of Free Speech the comments made on Dr. MacRae and Magistrate Jay of Moncton and claimed that there could be no stronger facts presented to a jury as to whether or not such matter was obscene.

The third point the crown counsel said it had not been shown that MacDougall had knowledge of the publication of the articles complained of, as set out in the grounds submitted in support of the indictment. Mr. MacDougall had given instructions and received messages from the agents, Judge McLean—"These were all questions for the jury to pass upon and they having found a verdict, what have we to say, the finding of the jury was upon matter of fact not law.

Justice Laundry and the Chief Justice seemed to be of the same opinion. Mr. Hazen read parts of the address made by Mr. Justice White to the jury and contended that the direction of His Honor placed fairly and squarely before the jury the matters to be decided upon.

That the questions submitted were all plain and not questions of law and that the jury having unanimously decided the defendant guilty there was no ground for appeal.

The Morning Session. At the morning session Mr. J. C. Sherren, counsel for MacDougall, occupied the attention of the court. He stated that the indictment while it set out the defamatory words did not say that these words injured any person's reputation. Mr. Sherren also argued that the words published in the indictment were not of themselves obscene and quoted two paragraphs and said they were not obscene, and had no tendency to corrupt the public morals.

He said that it was hard to define what the word "obscene" meant. The statute clearly judges it by the effect it is going to have. Hundreds of books in every bookstore in the province contain obscene passages. Reference might be made to Shakespeare's Venus and Adonis, Pope's January and May and other books. These would be obscene under the law except for the saving clause "having a tendency to corrupt the public morals."

Mr. Sherren claimed the fact that an article was obscene was not

CONTESTING AN INTERESTING OLD QUEBEC

Speaking General Throughout St. James Division Last Night—An Oratorical Slip And What It Meant.

Special to The Standard.

Montreal, Nov. 5.—Nominations took place today in the counties of James (Montreal), Chambly and St. Sauveur, where there are straight contests, no third butting in to spoil the effect of a party triumph wherever it may come.

In St. James Mr. Clement Robillard, Liberal and Mr. N. K. Laflamme, Opposition, are in the field, while over the river in Chambly county the party candidates are in Dr. Stannier for the Liberals and Mr. Tancred Marcell for the Opposition.

In St. Sauveur. In St. Sauveur the Government candidate is Mr. Jules Patry, a Quebec lawyer, and Mr. Alphonse Langlois, who is in the field as the workingman's candidate, supported by Mr. Armand Bourassa, J. M. Teller, the Conservative leader in the Legislature, and Mr. Jean Prevost were lined up against the Hon. Chas. Devlin, Mr. Lemieux, M. L. A., and the Hon. J. Decary, Minister of Agriculture.

Two Thousand Present. Some two thousand people were present, with several hundred Laval students with cow bells, and other modern instruments of music ready to cheer for the Opposition candidate, Mr. Marcell. Bedlam was indeed let loose and the ministerial defence absolutely broke down. Bourassa, Teller and Prevost war at the best and while they rained down charges after charge against the local ministry the only one who attempted a reply was Dr. Lemieux, M. L. A., for Gaspe, the brother of the postmaster general, Hon. Charles Devlin a very hard hitter generally got into an altercation at the beginning of his speech, with a group of students and was heard very indistinctly during the rest of his address. One thing is certain, party bitterness is on the wane, for when Devlin said that Marcell was the candidate of L. Borden and Sam Hughes, the Liberals remained cold and indifferent, while the Tories gave derisive shouts. However the Laval boys got back at the minister when he declared that the Liberal candidate would be elected on the 12th of July, meaning of course the 12th of November.

For the moment no more business was done as every one howled and cheered with delight at the orator's slip of the tongue, while a student shouted "Where is your white horse?" The day was a success for the Opposition and it looks as if Sir Lomer Gouin would come to the rescue in person.

PREMIER M'BRIDE MUST ABANDON HIS CAMPAIGN

Judge Decides That Leader Of Provincial Government In British Columbia Must Attend Hearing In Libel Case.

Vancouver, B. C., Nov. 5.—Justice Clements today after two hours argument, decided that Premier McBride must abandon his campaign tour of the province and attend as a witness in libel case of Green vs. World, to be heard in November. E. V. Bodwell in his argument to have subpoena set aside said this was the first time that a supreme court had been brought into the political arena to make effective a political dodge.

FOREST FIRES ARE NOW RAGING IN VIRGINIA

Winchester, Va., Nov. 5.—The forest fires in this section continue to rage fiercely, and unless rain fall within the next few hours the property loss will be enormous. Thousands of acres of valuable timberland in the Great North Mountains have already been laid waste, and the flames are spreading in all directions.

HELLO GIRLS MAY STRIKE

Winnipeg, Nov. 5.—Over two hundred operators in the Government telephone exchange will go on strike tomorrow if chief Miss Leach and her assistant, Miss Smith, are reinstated.