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Toronto Police Arrest a Gang of Burglars Who Have Terrorized the City

Embargo On Arms Into Mexico is Lifted by Wilson Indians Will be Given Back Land Got by Fraud Scandal In Quebec House Continues to Grow Negligence Charged Against Crown by Coroner's Jury

CROWN OFFICIAL IS CRITICIZED BY CORONER

Dr. Winnett Persuades Jury at Murder Inquest to Frame Letter to Attorney-General Censuring Gordon Shaver for Neglect of Duty—Hot Words Passed.

"I feel that it is my duty to thoroughly investigate all such cases as this and not to let them be hushed up, until everything possible has been done to find the guilty party." This statement was issued last night by Coroner Winnett at the inquest into the death of the unknown female infant which was found murdered under the Sherbourne street bridge on Jan. 19. The jury returned a verdict of murder by a party or parties unknown.

The coroner was not satisfied with the work done by the detective department towards discovering the identity of the perpetrator of the deed and made a statement to that effect, whereupon Mr. Shaver, assistant county coroner, objected, and was himself severely scored by the coroner for trying to "stampede the court." Following the verbal battle between the coroner and Mr. Shaver, the jury retired and returned with the verdict summarized above, to which was appended the following clause:

"We are also of the opinion that the crown and those whose duty it is to investigate serious crimes have not done their best or all that could have been done or might still be done to find the guilty."

Could Find a Clue.
Acting Detective Mulholland was the only witness called. He stated that he had followed out all the instructions and suggestions which he had received at the last session. He had visited all of the maternity hospitals and registration offices in the city, but had been unable to find a clue to the identity of the party or parties who had murdered the child. Coroner Winnett thought that the detective department had not done all that might have been done towards clearing up the case and expressed himself to that effect. Mr. Shaver then stated that he thought the detective had done everything possible and that the jury should return a verdict on the evidence submitted. "In the majority of cases," he said, "deaths of this kind are not investigated."

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INDIANS ROBBED BY TRICKERY OF LANDS WORTH MILLIONS RESTORATION IS NOW SOUGHT

Dominion Government Annuls Surrender of St. Peter's Reserve in Manitoba and Big Case Will Be Fought in Court—Former Superintendent Pedley Figured in Transaction.

OTTAWA, Feb. 3.—The government has decided after most thorough investigation of the facts, that the surrender of the St. Peter's Indian reserve in Manitoba should be annulled, and instructions were sent today to F. G. Taylor, K.C., of Portage La Prairie, and C. P. Fullerton, K.C., of Winnipeg, agents of the justice department, to take action in the courts to set aside the surrender. The case, which will be threshed out in the Manitoba courts, involves the large sum of two and a half million dollars.

The action taken by the government today marks the beginning of the end of one of the grossest scandals, it is alleged, in recent Canadian history. The surrender of the St. Peter's Indian reserve was taken in 1908 by Frank Pedley, until recently superintendent of Indian affairs. Statements made on the floor of parliament concerning that deal are to the effect that liquor, bribery and corruption were resorted to in order to get the Indians to agree to the surrender of their valuable lands, and that the vote was taken when the young braves and the most responsible men of the band were absent.

Lo, the Poor Indian.
Shortly after the transaction was completed, George H. Bradbury, M.P. for Selkirk, in whose constituency the reserve is, brought the matter to the attention of parliament, but nothing was done, and in 1910 Mr. Bradbury went into the question thoroughly. Mr. Bradbury undertook the difficult task of unravelling the skein of evidence, and under his management the facts have been uncovered.

Mr. Bradbury took the ground that the surrender was illegal and would not stand the test of any properly constituted court in Canada. In this view he was supported by the present minister of justice, Hon. Arthur Meighen, Hon. T. W. Crothers, Mr. W. S. Middebor, K.C., and by many other prominent lawyers in the house of commons.

This view was borne out. The St. Peter's Indians petitioned the Manitoba court.

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Avoid Suffrage Question

WASHINGTON, Feb. 3.—The house Democrats, at a caucus tonight, went on record against the creation of a house committee on woman suffrage. By a vote of 123 to 57 the caucus adopted a resolution declaring this a state question, and rejecting the Raker resolution to create the committee.

LAYING OF TRAP NARRATED BY DETECTIVE

Maloney, Otherwise "Mr. Sampson," Testified That He Gave Mousseau Five Hundred Dollar Note—No Warrants Yet Issued for Arrest of Burns Agents.

QUEBEC, Feb. 3.—(Special.)—J. S. Maloney, tall, broad-shouldered, vigorous and unhesitating, was the principal witness tonight at the investigation being conducted by a legislative committee of the Quebec Assembly into the accusations of graft made against the former member, J. Octave Mousseau. Maloney is the Burns detective who figured as the famous "Mr. Sampson" in the negotiations with the ex-chairman of the private bills committee of the assembly, the aforesaid Mr. Mousseau, for the quick and sure passage of the decoy bill of the Montreal Fair Association.

In a clear voice Maloney told the committee of his relations with Mousseau. Mousseau, he said, agreed to handle the bill and to pass it. When asked how much it would cost to put it thru, he told witness he did not think it would be much, about \$2000 or \$2500.

Asked for More Money.
Maloney said: "I will give you \$2000 now and \$2000 when the bill is finally passed. I then gave him \$500 in one note. It was for the bill known as the"

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MOUSSEAU'S FALL THUNDERBOLT TO FRIENDS

Former Member of Soulages Was Regarded as Man of Highest Character and Brilliant Promise—Devoted to Family and Books, His Conduct Inexplicable.

(Special to The Toronto World)
OTTAWA, Feb. 3.—In the sordid mire of the revelations at Quebec the prostrate figure of Joseph Octave Mousseau becomes the more tragic as one learns of his history, habits and personality. Those here who know best, do not question for a moment the testimony of Dr. A. De Margigny respecting the physical and mental condition of the former member for Soulages.

"One cannot wonder at Mousseau's condition," said a prominent member of parliament today, who had just returned from the City of Quebec, "when he recalls the brilliant career, which lay before him, and which has been forever blasted by the disclosures at Quebec. Unless you knew the height from which he fell you could not appreciate the depth of the abyss into which he has fallen."

Held in High Regard.
"The unfortunate deputy whose corruption seems to be only too well established is described as a man of courtly manners and commanding presence, who had achieved an honorable position in the practice of his profession, and as a public man bade fair to become one of the representative French-Canadians. There was nothing about him to suggest high living, extravagance or dissipation. On the contrary, he is described as studious and reserved, devoted to his family, free from evil habits and associates. He anticipated, and his friends anticipated, that he would be a great asset to the American Government, probably will bring Gen. Francisco Villa to the top."

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BURNS AGENTS NOT ARRESTED

Judges State No Action Will Be Taken for Week—Beck Throws Out Challenge.

(Special to The Toronto World)
MONTREAL, Feb. 3.—A report was published tonight that a warrant had been applied for and was granted for the arrest of the Burns agents who are now in Quebec, and that the warrants would be executed charging the detectives with an offence under the criminal code by offering to bribe certain members of the Quebec Legislature.

Inquiry by a representative of the World tonight, however, led to the information from Judges Charbonneau and Lacombe, before whom the application for a warrant was made by Edward March, a Nationalist, that no action was taken by the judges, and would not be for a week at least.

The Burns detectives are at Quebec under the special protection of the legislature, accorded under a resolution of immunity from arrest. Edward Beck, the newspaper editor under whose personal direction the investigation was conducted, declares that if the detectives are arrested he will at once swear out warrants for the arrest of Mousseau, Bernard and Bergerin, who have resigned their seats in the legislature since they have been directly charged with accepting bribes.

PUGSLEY TO BE ABSENT DURING ENTIRE SESSION

is Ordered South for Benefit of Health—Blow to Opposition.

OTTAWA, Feb. 3.—(Special.)—Sir Wilfrid Laurier received word tonight from Hon. William Pugsley's physicians at St. John, N.B., that the former minister of public works had been ordered south, and that he would not be able to attend parliament this session. The loss to the Liberals is serious. In fact his absence largely accounts for the apathy which has been shown by the opposition this session. His was the genius that framed most of the attack during the last two sessions.

Where Was Adam When the Light Went Out?



WILSON TAKES A GRAVE STEP

London Telegraph Says Proclamation Almost Without Parallel—Villa Likely to "Go to Top."

LONDON, Feb. 3.—(Can. Press.)—Few of the London newspapers this morning commented on President Wilson's proclamation lifting the embargo on arms at the Mexican frontier.

The Daily Telegraph, however, describes the proclamation as a grave step, which finds no parallel in modern history. The Daily Chronicle considers that it was impossible for President Wilson to remain indefinitely a spectator of the chaos of which in some sense, it says, he is the cause, and that he had to choose between suppressing himself or himself or in helping the rebels suppress them. The newspaper adds that the American problem is to eject Huerta from the presidency, but to replace him by anybody who is better than he. It says the latest move of the American Government probably will bring Gen. Francisco Villa to the top.

MEXICANS FREE TO IMPORT WAR MUNITIONS FROM U.S. ONLY SOLUTION, SAYS WILSON

Belligerents Must Fight It Out to Bitter End Before Peace Can Be Effectively Restored—Change of Washington Policy Due to Mexico's Unsettled Situation.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 3.—(Can. Press.)—President Wilson, by an executive order dated today and made public at the White House tonight, removed all restrictions against the exportation of munitions of war into Mexico from the United States, placing the contending elements on a basis of equality with respect to the purchase of arms and supplies in this country.

The executive order emphasized that it was the desire of the United States to be in the same position of neutrality toward the contending factions in Mexico as were the other powers. Accompanying the order the White House issued the following statement of explanation:

No Stable Government.
"The executive order under which the exportation of arms and ammunition into Mexico is forbidden was a departure from the accepted practices of neutrality—a deliberate departure from those practices under a well-considered joint resolution of congress—determined upon in circumstances which have now ceased to exist. It was intended to discourage incipient revolts against the regularly constituted authorities of Mexico, since that order was issued the circumstances of the case have undergone a radical change. There is now no constitutional government in Mexico; and the existence of this order"

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GANG OF TORONTO BURGLARS WHO TERRORIZED THE CITY AND "FENCES" UNDER ARREST

Will Conserve Radium
WASHINGTON, Feb. 3.—(Can. Press.)—Chairman Foster of the house committee on mines today favorably reported to the house the revised administration bill for the conservation of radium. It proposes the leasing of certain lands in the west for mining under government regulations and the establishment of a federal radium reducing plant.

BRYAN PEACE TREATY FAVORED BY BRITAIN

But Naval Holiday for Year Proviso Unlikely to Be Included.
WASHINGTON, Feb. 3.—(Can. Press.)—Sir Cecil Spring-Rice, the British ambassador, had a long conference with Secretary Bryan today, regarding the formulation of a peace treaty between the United States and Great Britain similar to those the secretary already has negotiated with eleven countries, six of which have actually signed the convention.

Great Britain has approved Mr. Bryan's plan in principle. It is not regarded as probable, however, that the provision for stopping the development of armament for a year while international commissions of inquiry are at work would be included in a British-American peace convention.

FORD OFFICE BOY PAY IS MADE \$30 A WEEK

His Salary Was Five, But Now He Can Support His Mother and Sister.
PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 3.—J. Philip Morris, six-foot, six-inch, was home from work tonight with a week's wage of \$30 in his pocket. He is perfectly willing to agree with his employer that he is the highest paid office boy in the country.

Morris is one of the office employees of the Ford Motor Company who today received their salaries under the new Ford profit-sharing scheme. His salary heretofore was \$5 a week. As the sole support of a sick and widowed mother and a sister, he comes under the \$5 a day minimum wage provision.

Is Richards Dead?

Sunday evening the local detective office believed they had at last cleared up the mystery of the identity of the old couple found asphyxiated in the Manning avenue residence, but again yesterday came a letter from F. S. Robinson, the Lake St. Joseph lawyer, emphatically stating that John Richards is alive and well on his farm. He has not seen him, he writes, but has received letters from him. The postmaster of Lake St. Joseph also declares Richards is yet alive. Continuing his letter, the lawyer agrees that the dead woman may have been Mrs. Eede, Richards' first wife.

KARLUK BELT IS WASHED ASHORE

Stefansson Ship Believed, However, to Be Safe—Boat's Crew May Have Perished.
WASHINGTON, Feb. 3.—(Can. Press.)—A life-preserver bearing the name "Karluk" the whaling vessel on which Vilhjalmur Stefansson, the Arctic explorer, sailed, and which was last reported in August off Point Barrow, the northernmost point of Alaska, has been washed ashore at Kivalina, Alaska.

This was reported to the U. S. Bureau of Education today by Wm. T. Lopp, chief of the bureau's Alaska division. The life-preserver was brought to shore in a great storm, but Mr. Lopp said he did not believe it came from the Karluk herself.

"The Karluk is undoubtedly fast in the ice near where she was last reported," the report said, "but it is possible that a single boat's crew started on a reconnoitering trip towards the south, and that the life-preserver is from them."

Five Are Charged With Shopbreaking, Two With Receiving, and Leader of Them All Was Caught in the Act of Entering a Store—Motor Cars Stolen and Used to Carry Away Thousands of Dollars' Worth of Goods Which Later Were Shipped Out of Town.

One of the biggest clean-ups made by the Toronto police in many years was concluded last night by the arrest of seven men, on charges of shopbreaking and receiving. The arrests are the culmination of several days of hard work on the part of every detective and policeman on the Toronto police force. These men, it is claimed, for months have been burglarizing stores and dwellings and making their getaway each time in motor cars which they would steal from streets and leave standing on other streets after they had no further use for them.

Charged With Shopbreaking.
The men held are: James Walker, no address; Jack Goldsmith, 42 Beverley; A. Surat, 42 Beverley; Howard Phoenix, no address; John Mott, no address.
For Receiving.
Heiman Silverman, 123 Huron; Heiman Starkman, 415 St. Patrick street; Albert Crittenden, 82 Shaftesbury street, who is believed to be the brains, organizer and leader of the gang, has been in custody since last Friday night, when he was arrested while attempting to enter a tailor shop at 226 Spadina avenue. At that time he gave his name as Smith, but subsequent investigations by the police justified their suspicions that he is the leader of the seven men arrested last night.

The gang operated principally among small tailor shops, from where large supplies of cloth would be taken, whisked away in the stolen motor cars to the shops of Silverman and Starkman, and then shipped out of town.

Much Stuff Stolen.
The local detective department states that over a dozen downtown clothing and tailoring stores have been entered and robbed by members of the gang within the past six weeks. Although the matter had been kept quiet pending police investigations, shop breakings in the downtown sections were of almost nightly occurrence, and the police list of missing articles runs into thousands of dollars. In Starkman's tailoring store on St. Patrick street alone, Detective Guthrie unearthed over a thousand dollars' worth of stolen goods. Silverman is a junk dealer who has been in the hands of the police before on similar charges. His place was

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NICODEMUS JOHNSON



Jaff: Is that ye, John? Whar were ye th' night?
John: At th' minstrel. Goin' every night, an' th' mate, too. Th' ole banjo's my moad an' I like to follow th' band on th' street.
Jaff: Ye're seen dat, mon.
John: Nup, Pop. Jus' goin' to th' show tomorrow nite agen.
Jaff: Are ye nup seen th' prayer meetin' in?
John: Ye you an' take th' Frescher. "By seated, gentlemen," is what comes ma.

Furs at February Prices.
The promise of colder weather makes the 20 per cent to 50 per cent reductions on quality furs at Dineen's, 140 Yonge street, especially tempting. The choice is really good, and Dineen's quality is the standard of high grade furs thruout Canada. This opportunity of investing in furs should not be overlooked.

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