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A PAGE OF NEWS ABOUT THE MARITIME

CROWN BRINGS MYSTERY PAIR TO THE TRIAL

Strangers Who Figure in the St. Pierre Case Will be Heard Today.

MOTHER OF PRISONER IN WITNESS BOX

Prisoner in Jail Declares He Saw Two Men at Scene of Tragedy That Night.

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The mother said the accused went down stairs again and shortly after came back. She did not remember what time he went out to the dance. On the day of the crime William, who said, was wearing a blue suit of clothes. Tuesday forenoon, the day after the crime, she said she pressed the blue suit for him. There was no blood stains on the suit, she said. Tuesday evening, she said, she learned of the girl's body being found in the river. On Wednesday she first learned that her son was suspected of the crime.

On cross-examination she told of three suits of clothes which the accused had—one was the blue suit, the grey suit which she said was the same he was wearing in court, and a dark green suit in which he generally worked. On the day of the crime he left home in the afternoon dressed in the blue suit and didn't return until after nine o'clock, and after she had gone to bed. She did not notice at dinner time anything that would indicate he was drinking.

She said the only case in the house that night when William came in was her husband, who was asleep, herself, and her daughter.

Could Not Define Time.

The witness was pressed to state or give some idea of the time when the accused came into the house; how long he stayed there, and as to what time he went out to the dance. But the mother could not give any definite time. She insisted he came in before 9.30, but did not know how long he remained. She thought he went out a little before 10 o'clock.

From the witness the Attorney General drew the statement that on Tuesday the accused was riding broomsticks and a sweater, and that on Thursday two suits of clothes were left in the kitchen for pressing. She also told of the visit of the officers to the house of these visiting the room, also William's bedroom and taking away a suit of clothes.

The mother's testimony was introduced.

MOTHER!

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Smaller Wages And Longer Hours Proposed

Fifteen Per Cent. Reduction and Fifty-Nine Hours Per Week.

Fredericton, N. B., March 15.—In our section with the general movement in the lumber industry in New Brunswick for extended hours of labor and reduced wages, the E. Burtt Lumber Co., who operates mills at Cardigan Station on the Gibson branch of the C. P. R., and carry on lumbering operations on the Kennebec River, have asked their employees to accept a cut of 15 per cent. in wages and to return to a schedule calling for 59 working hours per week.

Previous to last year the working schedule was the same as now proposed, but last year there was a reduction to nine hours daily.

The Mysterious Strangers

Following the mother's testimony the defence again swung back to the strangers who were in town with the peculiar looking automobile. Their presence, hinted at several times and their movements which the defence regards of a mysterious nature, were set forth by M. Gillespie.

This afternoon Miss Flavia St. Onge, who is a sister of the accused, testified that she saw two men on the afternoon of October 11 three automobiles in the strange looking automobile came there for gasoline. She noticed them particularly because of the peculiar looking car.

Saw the Strangers

That evening while she and a Miss Bouchard were walking down St. Francis street towards Vanward's drug store they were followed by two men whom she thought were the strangers who wanted to pick them up. The girls proceeded on by Vanward's store to about midway of the concrete bridge, retraced their steps and, passing Vanward's store, the strangers were there. They were asked to have an ice cream and take a walk. The girls kept on travelling, the strangers following behind. They went up towards the post office, the girls turned up St. Francis street. The two men continued on up Canada street. When last she saw the men they were near the post office, across Emerson street. She did not see them again that night.

Confirms the Evidence

Olivia Bouchard, on direct examination corroborated the mother's testimony as regards the strangers. On cross-examination, however, testimony was adduced showing that some time after 9 o'clock that night William St. Pierre was met by three girls on Church street far below his own home coming from the direction of the brick school house towards his home.

Miss Bouchard could not give any idea as to the time but it was considerably past nine o'clock. When seen by them he was about across from the police where Emerson street meets Church street. She also testified that some time prior to starting down Church street she saw William St. Pierre and Miss Bellman leave the post office and go down Church street.

It will be recalled that Pickard and Miss Bellman testifying for the prosecution said they met St. Pierre going towards his home coming from the direction of the school house and that blood stains were on his face. They set the time at 9.30. He was going toward his house when met by Miss Bouchard coming from the direction of the school house.

The defence has set up the claim he was going down Church street, testified to by three witnesses, at not later than 9.30 o'clock and his brother-in-law says he came into the house at 9.23 or 9.24. Such is the situation at the close of the day's trial.

Tomorrow the Crown will place on the stand in rebuttal the mysterious strangers who have come here from Western Canada to defend themselves against any imputations thrown at them. It is expected that summing up of the evidence before the jury will begin tomorrow afternoon.



The Dry Agents are about to arrest a Home Brewer

True Bill Found In McDonald Case

Judge Takes Alleged Theft Case from Hands of Grand Jury.

Special to The Standard.

Fredericton, March 15.—In the York county court this afternoon, Judge Wilson, in the case of Frank McDonald, charged with the theft of a blanket from the D.S.C.R. hospital in this city, took the case from the hands of the grand jury.

He reviewed the evidence given in the preliminary hearing and stated that he could not see where any element of criminality entered into the case. He would not convoke the idea of a man entering a room full of men to steal a blanket.

One True Bill.

The joint cases of Edmund W. McDonald, of Vanrobout, Maine, and Mrs. Augusta Clarkson, of McAdam, charged with being in possession of stolen goods knowing it to be stolen, went to the grand jury, the judge reviewing the evidence given at the preliminary hearings and pointing out that there were two questions for the jury to decide upon. The first was whether or not the goods found in the possession of the prisoners, were stolen, and secondly, if it was stolen, under what circumstances did it arrive at Mrs. Clarkson's house in McAdam.

The jury brought in a true bill against McDonald and a bill against Mrs. Clarkson. McDonald's case will be proceeded with tomorrow morning.

French Beginning To Doubt Success

Fear Occupation of German Towns Will Not Put Any Money in Purse.

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Paris, March 15.—A leading editorial in the Courrier further reflects the skepticism that is gradually overtaking the French press on the success of the economic sanctions. Several writers now are beginning to wonder if the returns will pay the upkeep of the invading forces. Courrier says:—"It is all very well that our troops occupy three towns, but that is not filling our treasury. It remains to be seen to what extent the commission on Reparation will profit by the fifty per cent tax through the establishment of a line of customs on the Rhine. While it is necessary first to have the parliament of each nation vote favorably for the project, it seems that neither Rome nor Tokio will approve."

"On the contrary, Premier Lloyd George will obtain a vote from the House of Commons after a brief delay because the British tax is not so much a measure to fill the reparations chest as it is a protective barrier against the invasion of German products. Thus the British have an anti-dumping bill which comes as a gift from heaven and without the inconvenience of passing a legislative measure of a similar nature."

Fredericton May Have Summer Time

Question Will be Brought Before the City Council at an Early Date.

Fredericton, N. B., March 15.—As a result of a conference between J. M. Woodman, general superintendent of the Atlantic Division of the C. P. R., and the transportation committee of the Board of Trade here this morning, a proposal for the adoption of daylight saving time in Fredericton for a period of approximately three months, commencing on Sunday, May 22nd, will be placed before the City Council.

C. F. Chestnut, chairman of the transportation committee, asked after the conference with Mr. Woodman that the summer time tables on the C. P. R. were made up on the daylight time basis because of his adoption by most cities affected, and that it had been suggested that the train service would be much more satisfactory if daylight time was in force here. The question, he said, would therefore be put up to the City Council and whether there would be a plebiscite or how the matter would be settled, would then be decided at City Hall.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

The following real estate transfers have been recorded recently:—

St. John.

C. H. Belyea to County of St. John, property in Lancaster.

M. T. Cochran to J. T. O'Brien, property in Lancaster.

C. D. Colpitts to County of St. John, property in Pictou.

S. H. Ewing and others to J. Pym, property at Courtenay Bay.

S. H. Edwards to County of St. John, property at Courtenay Bay.

W. I. Fenton to Tammie W. Mayes, property corner of Champlain and Winslow street extension, West.

W. I. Fenton to C. H. Belyea, property in Lancaster.

G. J. Fawcett to County of St. John, property in Fairmount.

J. H. Magee and others to O. J. Lawson, property in Fairmount.

Tammie W. Mayes and husband to County of St. John, property corner of Champlain and Winslow street extension, West.

H. Little to County of St. John, property in Havelock street.

G. N. Pitt to County of St. John, property in Lancaster.

J. M. Queen to Mary Govan, property in Union street.

King's County.

Michael Brown to John Brown, property in Westfield.

Andrew Cairns to Harry Hickson, property in Springfield.

G. & G. Fawcett Mfg. Co. to A. W. Mercer, property in Norton.

D. H. McIntyre, property in Sussex.

C. F. Givan to Cranford, property in Sussex.

Hally Hayward to Ella J. Hayward, property in Norton.

Henry Neal to G. W. Stiles, property in Norton.

H. W. Mercer to A. W. Mercer, property at Upham and Norton.

Victoria County Residents Roused

Are Determined to Fight Grand Falls Power Promoters' Proposal for Delay.

Special to The Standard.

Grand Falls, N. B., March 14.—"You residents of Victoria County should be unanimous in your opposition to any further extension before commencing the development of that great natural water power lying in the bosom of this town and measured by the attendance and enthusiasm present this evening, I feel sure that you endorse the opinion of immediate development." Mr. McLaughlin referred briefly to the past manipulations with reference to the power, and said that since all parties were represented on the platform, it would eliminate any suspicion that politics were being indulged in. The patience of the community has been exhausted and today all were united in opposing any further concessions to a foreign corporation having but little or, in fact, no interest in the Province of New Brunswick, and since the progress and prosperity of the County of Victoria depends in no small measure upon harnessing of this tremendous water fall, it was a vital fact in the commercial advancement of the town and people, it was useless for any company to state that they would not develop until sufficient customers were secured to justify a return on the initial outlay. It was like advancing the argument that a man should obtain his customers before opening his store. The speaker was applauded at intervals during the course of his remarks and after further dealings with the question, resumed his seat amid enthusiastic applause.

Preparing For The Legislature Opening

Special to The Standard.

Fredericton, March 15.—While several members of the government are here tonight including Hon. C. W. Robinson and Hon. D. Hetherington, Premier Foster has not yet arrived and there are few signs of activities in connection with the opening of the legislature.

THEFT AT HALIFAX.

Halifax, N. S., March 15.—The ticket office at the Canadian National Railway station here was entered last night and about \$800 was stolen. The C. N. R. police are working on the case.

A. A. DYART ARRIVES.

Fredericton, N. B., March 15.—A. A. Dyart of Buctouche, member for Kent, is the first arrival here for the session of the legislature. He is the government's nominee for the speakership of the new legislature and it is said his election will not be opposed.

THUMB MARKS ON THROAT OF MRS. E. BERRY

Witness Swears That Bruises on Neck Looked Like That to Her.

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Mrs. Prosser said Mrs. Berry came to her frequently with her troubles. The accused and his wife were at witness' home to prayer meeting once, and twice they held prayer meeting at Mrs. Berry's home. The deceased had told witness about using iodine to kill pain, and she had also used crocin and got relief.

Mrs. Berry, witness declared, was a good neighbor, fond of her children and looked after them well.

Like Finger Marks

On being further questioned as to the marks she saw on the dead woman's throat, witness said they looked to her like finger marks.

Winford Steeves, constable of Forest Hill, said he knew Ezekiel Berry and his late wife, Minnie Berry. He was at the Berry home on Sunday, December 13 last. He assisted the doctor in his examination of Mrs. Berry's body. He noticed the lobe of the right ear was very black and swollen. He also noticed a mark on the angle of the right jaw, resembling a thumb nail mark. That was the way the doctor described it. The doctor made a note of the "thumb-nail" mark and also the discoloration on the ear.

No Water in Lungs

Witness declared the body was not limp; it was very stiff. He told of the post mortem made by the doctor, of his finding about a spoonful of red fluid in the heart, but little froth or water on the lungs and windpipe. Witness said he noticed no bruises on the front of the victim's face. Witness said when the doctor cut the arteries the blood flowed from them.

He told of Berry's wife leaving him about a year ago. She took her children and walked to her sister's, Mrs. Bander's, about a mile and a half away. A short time after Berry went for her and she and the children returned home. As far as witness knew everything was all right with the Berry's after that. He had no personal knowledge of their quarrelling.

Wylie Wood, postmaster of Forest Glen, swore that he was at the Berry home on the day of the inquest, December 12. He measured the water in the pool and found it was twenty-two inches at the deepest part.



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Mr. Harold Acker, Springfield, N.S., writes:—"I was bothered all the time with nervous headache and dizziness. I could not sleep down at times, as everything would get black before my eyes. I could not sleep at night, and my appetite was very poor. I was almost on a nervous breakdown. I used four boxes of Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills and they helped me fine. I would recommend them highly to any person troubled with their heart or nerves."

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